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FRANCE LEADS IN DAVIS CUP.

AMERICANS BEATEN IN DOUBLES.

MAGNIFICENT FIVE-SET DUEL AFTER POSTPONEMENT.

FRENCHMEN INSPIRED.

Paris, July 29.

After a magnificent five-set struggle, with Henri Cochet and Jean Borotra playing like men inspired at certain stages of the match, France won the doubles in the Davis Cup challenge round at Auteuil this afternoon, and thus gained a lead of two matches to one.

Tilden and Hunter played superbly, but the brilliant teamwork of the French pair triumphed in the last set, which went to France easily by 6-2.

Dwight Davis

The final score was 6-4, 6-8, 7-5, 4-6, 6-2 in favour of Cochet and Borotra. The match had been postponed from Saturday, rain having interrupted the play after the Frenchmen had gained a lead of three matches to two.

Starting to-day from that position, the Frenchmen set a fast pace from the start and won many points by lightning smashes which the Americans found it impossible to return. With the French pair leading by 5-4 and within a point of set, Tilden double-faulted and conceded the first set.

Borotra's Wild Streak.

By some terrific driving and wonderful placing, the Frenchman built up a lead of 6-5 in the second set, though Tilden and his partner were delivering cannon-ball shots which kept Borotra and Cochet on the defensive for some time. After leading however, Borotra struck a wild streak and lost many points in strokes wide of the court, allowing the Americans to draw level, while a double-fault by Cochet at a critical period in the 13th game gave the challengers a 7-6 lead.

Tilden's service in the 14th game enabled the Americans to run out winners of the set.

Over-Much Finesse.

The speed of the exchanges slowed down somewhat in the third set and the French appeared to be less inspired, but they secured the set after some long base-line rallies.

The Frenchmen threw away valuable points in the fourth set by too much finesse, and Tilden and Hunter took full advantage of their errors to become two sets all.

The wonderful teamwork of the French pair was seen at its best in the fifth set. Driving with terrific power, recovering apparently impossible balls, and accomplishing wonderful work at the net, their strong attack was irresistible and they took the first four games easily.

Borotra Annoyed?

The Americans won the fifth game after Borotra had deliberately driven the ball out of play following a disputed serve by Cochet. The Americans also took the sixth.

The seventh was a splendid example of the better French control in returning a series of temptingly high shots, Borotra finishing the game with a grand smash.

The Frenchmen won the last game against Hunter's service.

Tilden Criticised By Donor.

A message from Denver, Colorado, states that Mr. Dwight Davis, the donor of the Davis Cup, has expressed the opinion that "Tilden is probably guilty of professionalism and should be barred from amateur competitions."

It is also reported that Rene Lacoste, who won the championship at Wimbledon, and who is the holder of the American championship, has announced that he will not be defending his American title this year as he cannot spare the time from business. It is understood there is a likelihood of Lacoste giving up tennis in the near future.—*Reuter.*

SERIOUS SHANGHAI AGITATION.

ANTI-JAPANESE ACTION ADVOCATED.

VIOLENT MANIFESTO.

Shanghai, July 30.

The concluding act of the "National Anti-Japanese Convention" at Shanghai, after sittings lasting over a week, is the authorisation of the issue of a violent manifesto to the people of China advocating the revival of the boycott with re-doubled energy.

Japan herself was oppressed before and now thinks that it is her turn to oppress China, state the authors of the manifesto, which was published to-day.

The aftermath of the Tsinan affair spells a life and death struggle between Japan and China, and it is necessary for the people of China to join in the effort to crush Japan's financial influence.

By this means only will the Chinese succeed in overthrowing "Imperialism."

China must sever economic relations with Japan at all costs.

The manifesto declares that previous movements have failed owing to lack of leadership and cohesion.

The immediate effect of the manifesto has been the appearance of pickets patrolling Chapei and Nantao, seizing Japanese goods. What is termed a "Salvation Fund" has also been started.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

MADRAS RAILWAY DISPUTE.

GENERAL STRIKE REGARDED AS ENDED.

Trichinopoly, June 29.

The Agent for the South-Indian Railway states that it may now be considered that the general strike has terminated, with the exception of the Indian drivers and firemen on the Trichinopoly—Madura service.

The narrow guage section of the railway is gradually extending its service, but it is still only possible to operate during the day-time owing to the damage to signals.

The services on the broad guage section are now practically normal.—*Reuter.*

SINGAPORE DOCK AT PORT SAID.

NEGOTIATING SUEZ CANAL THIS WEEK.

Port Said, July 29.

The first section of the Singapore floating dock has arrived at Port Said ahead of the scheduled time.

It will await the arrival of the second section, which is expected to reach Port Said on Tuesday, before traversing the Suez Canal.

The Canal will be closed to other traffic while the two sections of the Dock are passing through.—*Reuter.*

TERRIBLE FUNERAL TRAGEDY.

NINE MOURNERS DROWNED IN MOTOR-BOAT ACCIDENT.

Bergen, July 29.

Conveying ten mourners home from a funeral, an overloaded motor-boat capsized and sank in the Lyster Fjord to-day.

Nine of the occupants were drowned, only one succeeding in swimming to shore.—*Reuter.*

BOY SCOUT CAMPS.

CELEBRATION OF 21ST ANNIVERSARY.

London, July 29.

Yesterday, in celebration of the 21st anniversary of the first Boy Scout Camp, which was held during the last week of July and the first week of August in 1907, Sir Robert Baden-Bowell, Chief Scout, entertained all available members of the the first Boy Scout troop.—*British Wireless.*

OLYMPIC GAMES IN EARNEST.

THE FIELD AND TRACK EVENTS OPEN.

BRILLIANT RUNNING BY PAAVO NURMI.

TWO FIRSTS FOR U.S.

Amsterdam, July 29.

The field and track events of the Olympic Games opened at the great Stadium at Amsterdam to-day, a huge crowd assembling to witness the preliminaries. The programme was confined mainly to heats, only three Finals being decided.

A world's record was broken in both the Putting the Shot and the Ten Thousand Metres Race, but the High Jump did not compare favourably with previous achievements, the British record being higher by 5/8th inch, and the world's record by nearly four inches.

The outstanding event was, of course, the 10,000 Metres. A wonderful race was seen, the first four being Scandinavians with a British competitor fifth and an American sixth.

Nurmi's Brilliant Running.

Paavo Nurmi ran brilliantly, winning by ten yards in 30 minutes 18 4/5th seconds, which beats his own world's record for the distance of 30 minutes 40 1/5th seconds, set up at Stockholm in 1921. Ritola, also a Finnish runner, was second.

America succeeded in the High Jump and in Putting the Shot. The latter event was remarkable in that the three finalists all exceeded the previous Olympic record.

The Results.

The results (all Finals) were as follows;

Putting The Shot.

John Kuck (U.S.A.) 1;
Herman Brix (U.S.A.) 2;
Hirschfield (Germany).

Distance: 52 feet 0 11/16ths inch. (A world's record, the previous best being 51 feet by R. Rose at San Francisco in 1909). Brix's distance was 15.75 metres, and Hirschfield's distance 15.73 metres, both Olympic records.

Ten Thousand Metres.

P. Nurmi (Finland) 1;
W. Ritola (Finland) 2:
Wide (Sweden), 3;
Londgren (Sweden) 4;
Muggridge (Britain), 5;
Ray (U.S.A.) 6.

Time: 30 mins. 18 4/5th second. (Olympic Record).

High Jump.

R. King (U.S.A.) 6 feet 4 3/8th inches, 1;

Hedges (U.S.A.) and Menard (France) 6 feet, 3½ inches, tied 2;

Osborne (U.S.A.) and Toribic (Philippines) 6 feet 3 inches, tied 3;

Kazuo Kimura (Japan) 6 feet 2 inches, 4.

Weight-lifting Finals.

Heavyweights: Strassberger (Germany) 372½ kilogrammes.

Light-heavies: Nossier (Egypt) 355 kilogrammes.

Middleweights: Roger (France) 335½ kilogrammes.

Light-weights: Hileri (Germany) 322½ kilogrammes.

Feather-weights: Andrysek (Austria) 287½ kilogrammes.—*Reuter.*

To-day's Events.

The events on the programme for to-day are as follows:

100 metres flat—Men (Semi-finals).

Throwing the hammer—Men (Final).

100 metres flat—Ladies (heats).

400 metres hurdles—Men (Final).

800 metres flat—Men (Semi-final).

100 metres flat—Ladies (Semi-final).

100 metres flat—Men (Final).

AMERICAN POLICY CRITICISED.

NEW TARIFF PACT "A RIPOSTE TO JAPAN."

NANKING DEFICIENCY.

Paris, July 29.

Discussing the attitude by the United States Government towards the Chinese Nationalist Government as revealed by the signing of the new pact, which grants tariff autonomy to China as far as America is concerned, *Le Temps* described it as a riposte directed at Japan.

America's action is severely criticised, the journal declaring that it is inadmissible that a revolutionary Power not even officially recognised *de jure*, and whose authority is extremely doubtful, should claim the right to abrogate Treaties on the ground that they are unfair.

"Everyone agrees," the writer comments, "that it will be logical to revise the existing Treaties between China and the various Powers as soon as it can be truthfully said that there is a stable and responsible Government.

"The unrequited abandonment of guarantees for the safeguarding of the lives and properties of foreigners, however, is a totally different matter."—*Reuter.*

"EXCELSIOR"—A LOCAL SATIRE.

Starts in To-morrow's "Telegraph."

If you want to read a clever satire on Hongkong life, make a point of getting to-morrow's *Telegraph*, in which will appear the first instalment of a short serial full of local colour.

"Excelsior: Or the Social Climber" is the title of this amusing skit. It tells of the social aspirations of a young married lady, Eunice by name, who finds the task which she sets herself by no means easy. The story will run for a week. Get the *Telegraph* every evening and read of the exploits of Eunice.

PARLIAMENT SUMMER RECESS.

CHANGE IN CUSTOMARY PRACTICE.

London, July 29.

The usual practice of Parliament rising for the Summer Recess by adjournment and resuming the session in the autumn will be changed this year, and on Friday next the session will be brought to end by prorogation.

The new session, which is the fifth and will be the last of the present Parliament, will be opened in November instead of February, and there will be a short Recess at Christmas.

Unless Parliament is dissolved at an earlier date, the new session will be prorogued in August of next year. If this change proves generally acceptable, it will be regularly followed in the future.—*British Wireless.*

LIGHT AEROPLANE VENTURE.

TO CAPE TOWN AND BACK IN EIGHTEEN DAYS.

London, July 29.

When Captain Murdoch, of the Royal Air Force, took off from Croydon aerodrome to-day in an Avro-Avian 30 h.p. light aeroplane, it was understood that the flight was the commencement of an attemp to flying to Cape Town and back, a distance of 16,000 miles, in eighteen days.

It was subsequently reported, however, that the airman had landed at Lympne, the flight being merely a preliminary run.

Captain Murdoch, who is a South African, starts the flight proper from Lympne to-morrow (June 30th).—*Reuter.*

U.S.A. AND TREATY REVISION.

CONFERENCE OPENING AT NANKING?

AMERICA PLANNING FURTHER CONCESSIONS.

ITALY WITH JAPAN.

Shanghai, July 29.

The Nationalist Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang is preparing for a visit from the United States' delegate in connexion with the treaty revision.

The Nationalist Government has proposed that a conference should be held in Nanking and it is expected that the United States Government will agree. If so, the United States will be represented by Mr. J. van A. MacMurray, the American Minister to Peking, whilst Dr. C. T. Wang will represent the Nationalists.

The Danish Minister has left Peking for Shanghai to consult with Dr. C. T. Wang personally on matters relating to the revision of the Sino-Danish treaty.

The Japanese Minister, Mr. Yoshizawa, who also intended to visit Nanking, has postponed his trip owing to complications arising from the American note to the Nationalist Government.

Italy Sides with Japan.

Peking, July 30.

The Italian Minister's Reply to Dr. C. T. Wang's Note of July 1st, dated July 11th, states that the Chinese Government has the right to ask for the revision of the Italian Treaty of 1866 with China, under Article 26, but Italy contests the right of the Nationalist Government to declare the Treaty abolished and no longer in force after June 30th.

The Italian Minister, therefore, makes a formal reservation of Italy's rights derived under the Treaty, which Italy will continue to consider valid until it is substituted by a new Treaty.

Any new Treaty must be concluded by mutual consent.

"If, meanwhile, the Chinese Government should not observe its obligations arising from the Treaty, my Government might feel bound to protect their interests and the interests of their nationals by such means as they may consider opportune."

Prepared to Revise.

The Italian Government, however, being anxious to cement the bonds of friendship between China and Italy desires to meet as far as possible the aspirations of the Chinese people, and are prepared to enter into negotiations for the revision of the existing Treaty.

The Italian Government is prepared to base a new Treaty on the mutual concession of most favoured nation treatment, but it must be understood that Italian citizens and companies shall not receive less favourable treatment than the citizens or companies of other nations in China.

The Italian Government also desires a suspending clause stipulating that the new Treaty will not come into force until all the Powers signatory to the Washington Agreement have adopted the new foundations of diplomatic instruments which bind them to China.

Another condition required by the Italian Government is that Sino-Italian relations shall be returned to a normal basis.—*Reuter.*

Chinese Gunboat Salutes U.S.

Naval wireless messages received in Hongkong to-day state that when the Commander-in-Chief of the American Asiatic Fleet was on the Yangtsze in the U.S. gunboat Mindanao, he received a salute of seventeen guns from a Chinese gunboat. This is the first salute accorded to a foreign flag on the Yangtsze River for some considerable time.

From Ichang it is reported that the Nationalist military authorities have allowed the s.s. Fook Yuen, a vessel flying the French flag, to proceed up river. The fact that the ship carried a large consignment of munitions was known to the authorities.

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BRITISH RAILWAY AGREEMENT.

DIRECTORS' SALARIES ALSO REDUCED.

SETS NEW PRINCIPLE.

London, July 29.

All parties to the railway agreement, which was reached as a result of direct negotiations between the Railway Company Managers and the Railwaymen's Unions on Friday, are congratulated by the Press for the sound common sense shown in accepting the agreement, which involves small temporary all-round reductions in the wages and salaries of all grades of workers and railway Directors.

It is stated that there will be a reduction of between £2,000,000 and £3,000,000 annually on the total wages bill of £100,000,000.

In the great railway centres of Crewe and Derby, the settlement is generally welcomed.

The *Observer* says the agreement will take a distinctive place in the history of industrial negotiatons and settlements. It is regarded as establishing a new principle—that if the workers are called on to accept adverse modification of their conditions, they are entitled to ask that everyone engaged in the enterprise shall come within the scope of the concessions.—*British Wireless.*

EMPIRE MIGRATION PROBLEM.

LORD LOVAT'S DEPARTURE DELAYED.

London, July 29.

Lord Lovat, Under-Secretary for the Dominions and Chairman of the Overseas Settlement Committee, was to have left London for Canada on a tour of the Dominion yesterday, but he was detained on Government business.

One of the principal subjects for discussion with the Dominion authorities will be the question of Empire migration, to which special attention has been drawn by the report of the Industrial Transference Board.

The discussion with the Canadian Government of the means whereby migration may be made easier and more attractive will, however, be begun with the arrival in Canada of the Secretary of the Overseas Settlement Committee, who left London for Canada yesterday.

Lord Lovat will proceed to Canada next week.—*British Wireless.*

LABOUR LEADER'S HOLIDAY.

MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD GOES TO CANADA.

London, July 29.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Labour leader, left London yesterday, accompanied by his three daughters, for Canada for a two months' holiday.—*British Wireless.*

DUKE'S FORTUNE.

LEAVES ONE MILLION STERLING.

London, July 29.

Unsettled property valued, so far as at present can be ascertained, at £1,000,000 has been left by the seventh Duke of Newcastle, who died on May 30th.—*British Wireless.*

WEATHER REPORT.

To-day's Observatory report states:—Pressure is highest to the north-east of Japan and relatively low over S.W. China. The typhoon is situated about 100 miles north of the Bonins, moving slowly north-eastward. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—South winds, moderate; fair.

JAPAN TAKES UP FIRM STAND.

NATIONALIST ACTION UNFRIENDLY.

WILL FIGHT OUT THE TREATY ISSUE.

THE WORST FEARED.

Peking, July 21.

In the course of a statement regarding the renunciation of the Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty by the Nanking Government, Mr. Yoshizawa, Japanese Minister to China, made a statement to-day in the course of which he asserted that the Japanese Government can never overlook this "unreasonable move." The Minister's statement was as follows:

"It is true that the Note of the Nanking Government was handed to Mr. Okamoto, Japanese Consul in Nanking, on July 19 to be forwarded to me. The cardinal points of the Note are first that both the Japanese and Nanking Governments should officially appoint representatives to negotiate the conclusion of the new Commercial Pact, pointing out that the present Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty will expire on July 20, and secondary that the temporary measures should be enforced pending the conclusion of the new treaty.

"The Japanese Consul in Nanking," continued Mr. Yoshizawa, "lost no time securing my instructions as to whether he would receive the Nanking Note which was handed to him by the Nanking authorities, in view of the grave nature of the issue. Thereupon, I wired him instructions to the effect that there should be no objection to receiving and delivering the Nanking Note to the Japanese Government.

"Illegal Measures."

"The reason for my instructions can be interpreted that the Japanese Government will find it necessary and appropriate on the one hand to reply to the Nanking Government stating the illegal measures taken by the Nanking authorities and the legitimate attitude to be taken by the Japanese Government with a view to warning against the unreciprocal renunciation of the Treaty and appeal to international justice, making public the Nanking Note on the other hand."

Referring to the attitude of the Nanking Government as regards the nullification of the treaty from the legal viewpoint, Mr. Yoshizawa pointed out the following:

1.—Treaties concluded between sovereign states are made effective when they are signed and ratified through proper channels in pursuance of the constitutional clause of both contracting parties. The binding power of treaties thus concluded is, therefore, complete. Thus viewed, for the conclusion of sacred treaties, the first consideration is capacity of both contracting parties, while it is unfortunate that the Nanking Government is not as yet recognized by the Powers.

Room For Doubt.

"Therefore, there is ample room to doubt, legally speaking, whether the Nanking Government is well capacitated to conclude treaties with foreign countries, though it may be powerful enough to carry out the great task of revising the so-called unilateral treaties.

2.—According to Article 26 of the present Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty, the treaty will remain in force automatically another 10 years when negotiations for the treaty revision do not prove fruitful in a fixed term. Now apart from the question of the duration of the present treaty, namely, it expires on October 20, 1936, it is quite clear that Article 26 forbids the nullification of the treaty by an unreciprocal note. Under such circumstances, the measures of the Nationalist Government are mistaken in this second point of ours.

"Now in this connexion," declared Mr. Yoshizawa, "it should be noted that in negotiation with the Peking Government in October, 1926, regarding the revision of the Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty, the Japanese Government rejected the Peking Government's proposals for the same reservations to be moved in future, although the Peking authorities were not bold enough to intimate the abrogation of the treaty."

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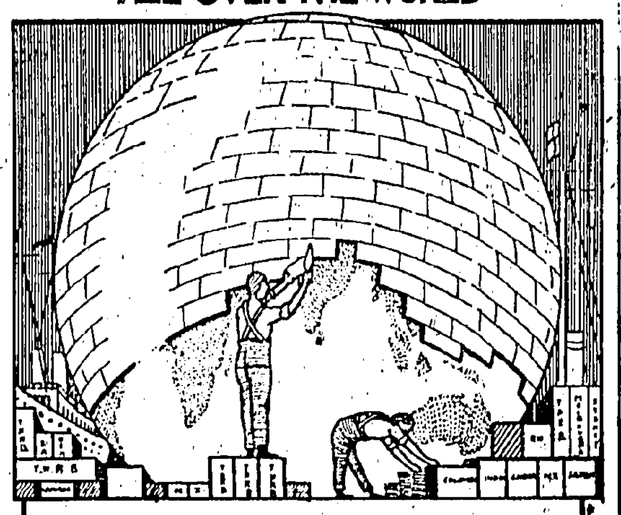

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COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG AMUSEMENTS RECORD YEAR.

A hint that the capital of the Company may have to be increased in the near future on account of strong competition and the extension of their business to include the purchase of film rights in China, was given by Mr. J. H. Backhouse, presiding at the seventh annual general meeting of shareholders of Hongkong Amusements, Limited, which was held at noon, on Saturday in the Queen's Theatre. The year's workings again constituted a record, a dividend of 20 per cent, being paid to shareholders.

In addition to the Chairman there were also present Mr. H. W. Ray and Mr. Lo Kan (Managing Directors), Mr. Ma Tsui-chiu (Director) and Mr. Chas. S. Rosselet (Secretary). Shareholders present were Messrs. C. E. Backhouse, Lee Iu-cheung, R. K. Butler, J. E. Noronha and Dr. C. M. Hennley.

Chairman's Speech.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:

Gentlemen,—Owing to the absence of your Chairman Mr. J. M. Noronha, I am privileged to address you to-day though I would rather be listening to him than speaking for him because I have been away for six months of the year and since Mr. Noronha took the chairmanship of your Board he has had twelve months of very arduous and at times worrying work for your company. That his efforts and those of his co-Directors and Managing Directors have been successful, the report before you will show. You have had the report of your Directors and the statement of accounts together with the auditors' report before you for some seven or eight days and I propose to follow the usual custom and take them as read.

The few remarks I have to make will be very brief as with one or two exceptions no explanations appear necessary.

China Film Rights.

The year's work under review, viz., 1927-28, has witnessed a change in the system to which we formerly carried on the business which is shown in the large amount standing in the account for films and film rights. Some eighteen months ago it was decided after the strong recommendations of the Managing Directors that we should acquire films, in future, for the whole of China and sell or lease our rights for the remainder of China other than Hongkong and South China. This enabled us to obtain a better grade of pictures (we now give the best that are produced) but at the same time this made the responsibility very much greater, and had your Directors carried on they would have had to obtain authorisation for a further issue of capital because naturally some time must lapse before the cost and profits of these films can be realised and our organisation in Shanghai was insufficient to cope with the large amount of business and expense which these entail.

20 Per Cent. Dividend.

Since this balance sheet was issued we have arranged with certain friends to take over the royalties on these films for North and Central China, and this having been accomplished and satisfactory deposits made, your Directors decided that they would continue to recommend a dividend of 20 per cent. For the amounts standing at the account for films and film rights we have every expectation of recovering. The result of last year's working has exceeded the previous year's record and thus makes it the third occasion that we are able to propose the repetition of a dividend of 20 per cent.

One other point I must draw your attention to is the item under Cash. Last year we showed a very satisfactory sum of over $110,000 whereas to-day with our increased business and increased profits we only show about $48,000. The reason of this is naturally on account of the large sum we have invested in film, and as I have already explained to you, we have a reasonable hope of converting this figure into cash.

Bonus to Staff.

The increased business that we are doing and the extreme likelihood of the future bringing further extension coupled with the small capitalisation of your company, make it, however, absolutely necessary that the Reserve Account should have more attention in the future than it has had in the past and you will note that your Directors have transferred an additional sum of $40,000 to General Reserve Account, thus increasing this account to the sum of $80,000. After providing for this together with the necessary Legal Reserve we are carrying forward nearly $52,000 which is over $19,000 in excess of the figure brought forward from the previous year. In addition to the above appropriations and consequent upon the policy of past years, we have budgetted for a bonus to be paid to the staff of your company as mentioned in the report. You will, I am sure, approve this practical recognition of faithful and arduous services.

Competition Rumours.

After being in existence for seven years this company has paid away in dividends, including what we now recommend, nearly $150,000, and we have placed over $111,000 to reserves. I think you will agree with me that this is a very good record and there is no doubt that Hongkong Amusements, Limited has a future before it. I wish you to bear in mind, however, that there have been more than rumours of strong competition, and to meet this it may be necessary for your company, in order to maintain their present position, to go in for very large extensions which will entail a considerably larger capital than is now possessed, and you can quite understand that with a much larger capital it will be more difficult to keep up large dividends.

With these remarks, Gentlemen, I beg to propose that the Directors' report and statement of accounts for the twelve months ended March 31, 1928, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted. After this has been duly seconded I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to put.

Seconder's Speech.

In seconding the proposal, Mr. Lee Iu-choung said:

Mr. Chairman,—It is easy for any constant shareholder to say that he seconds a report like this with pleasure—a report that taken all in all is the best in the short history of the company for it shows an extraordinary stable position under present conditions in this part of the world. That is a record of which our Directors and Managing Directors may justly feel proud and on which we should congratulate them and their staff as heartily as we congratulate ourselves. I beg to second the motion from the Chair.

There being no questions, the Chairman remarked that as everybody appeared to be satisfied he would put the motion to the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

Proceeding with other business, Mr. H. W. Ray proposed the re-election of the retiring Directors, Mr. J. S. Gubbay and Mr. Ma Tsui-chiu. This was seconded by Mr. R. K. Butler and passed unanimously.

Messrs. Linstead and Davis were reappointed Auditors to the Company at a remuneration of $500, on the proposition of Mr. C. E. Backhouse, seconded by Mr. J. E. Noronha.

The Chairman said that that was all the business before the meeting. He thanked shareholders for their attendance, commenting that he was sorry there were not many more of them, but Hongkong shareholders were never there when they were wanted. Dividend warrants could be obtained to-day.

GOVERNMENT DEFIED.

WAFDISTS MEET AND PASS RESOLUTIONS.

Cairo, July 29.

The Wafdist senators and deputies met in a private house yesterday evening in defiance of the Government's forbidding such meeting, and passed a resolution declaring that the Parliament still exists and is entitled to meet according to the Constitution. The resolution calls on the Government to resign.

According to the *Albalagh* the meeting was held "notwithstanding police precautions, about 500 yards from the Governorate."

They resolved that the decree issued on the 19th inst. was an act of revolution against the Constitution, and that any legislation passed, or foreign agreements concluded by the present Ministry, would be null and void and finally that the "House should be prorogued until November 17."

After all the ex-members of Parliament present, numbering about 200, had signed the resolutions they all solemnly swore "to safeguard the Constitution and defend it to the utmost, till the last moment of my life."—*Reuter.*

RUBBER PLANTING.

HENRY FORD'S EXPERIMENT IN BRAZIL.

Detroit, July 28.

Mr. Henry Ford's motor-ship, Lake Ormoc, has departed for Santa Rem, in Brazil, laden with supplies, equipment and personnel—the last-mentioned to engage in early operations in rubber planting.—*Reuter's American Service.*

OPEN AIR CONCERT.

DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT AT KOWLOON.

Weather conditions making the function one of need as well as recreation, the *al fresco* concert given by the Full Military Band, Pipes and Drums of the 2nd Battalion, King's Own Scottish Borderers by kind permission of Lieut. Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., and Officers, at the Kowloon Dock Recreation beach last night, was an unqualified success. There was a large attendance of residents who were rapturous in their appreciation of the performance at under the baton of the very able conductor, Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., the musicians rose to splendid heights of artistry and finesse.

The programme opened with a Chinese March, "Kwang Hsu" (Lincke) which was executed in a lively manner. It was followed by Rossini's William Tell, and to say that the playing of this ever-popular selection pleased the audience was to put it mildly. There were demands for an encore. A number of other selections were rendered by the Band before the finale was played by the Band Pipes and Drums. Between the items the Pipers under Pipe-Major W.C.K. Mackie and Drum-Major W. D. Dalrymple, entertained the spectators on the lawn with numerous selections of Scottish airs and songs.

SERIOUS FLOODS.

HEAVY DAMAGE REPORTED.

Moscow, July 29.

Both east and west railway also telegraphic communications are interrupted in consequence of the floods in the Zeya district of Amur province. The river Zeya in some places is twelve miles wide. The damage done hitherto is estimated at 5,000,000 roubles.—*Reuter.*

CABLES-WIRELESS.

COMMENT ON IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

London, July 29.

The report of the Imperial Wireless and Cable Conference now awaits discussion by the Empire Parliaments before effect can be given to its recommendations. Meanwhile it is being examined closely in press. The sweeping nature of the recommendations is recognised on all hands and the *Times* says that both from the economic and political viewpoints they are of most far-reaching importance.

"Economically they inaugurate a new era in the history of Empire communication, which is itself an achievement of the highest order. Politically, their unanimous character is a remarkable monument of imperial co-operation. These far-sighted recommendations provide beyond doubt the right solution to what but a short time ago seemed an insoluble problem. Any less bold and comprehensive scheme would have been doomed to failure from the outset. The solution proposed is built up on two fundamental principles—unity of control and private enterprise, neither of which could be neglected without certainty of failure. By combining the whole system of Empire communications in one vast amalgamation, it has rendered possible the advantages and economies of moderate and large scale enterprise, scientific co-ordination, elimination of wasteful competition and all the opportunities for economy which these alone can bring."

The *Daily Telegraph* congratulates the Conference on the proposals, which constitute a revolutionary reorganisation of all telegraphic services linking the Empire together. It says that the arguments in favour of these sweeping changes are irresistible. It describes as purely a doctrinaire point of view the plea that national ownership is a thing sacred in itself, to which all other considerations must give way.

Opposition Comment.

Among Liberal and Labour newspapers some exception is taken to the report on these grounds, and it is clear that the Opposition in Parliament will concentrate primarily on the State ownership issue when the report is debated in the House of Commons next week.

The *Daily Herald* protests vigorously against the abandonment of the principle of public ownership and the *Manchester Guardian* questions the wisdom of the British and Dominions Governments selling their cable and wireless services to a private combine. The *Guardian* demands careful consideration of whether adequate safeguards are provided in the report to ensure against subordination of public interests to profit-making in the proposed new combine.

The Liberal journal *Daily Chronicle*, on the other hand, reminds the advocates of State ownership that many States are involved in this reorganisation. It adds, "Can it be thought that State enterprise, run jointly by such a multiplicity of States, would be a hopeful way of dealing with a business proposition, even if, as is not the case, they were all keen on such an experiment? Nobody who does not make it a dogma to insist on State ownership in all conditions could find the conditions here auspicious. So we are brought almost inevitably to the solution of an Imperial Public Utility Company, such as the Conference's report suggests. Safeguards are needed, but these points are covered explicitly and adequately in the report."—*British Wireless.*

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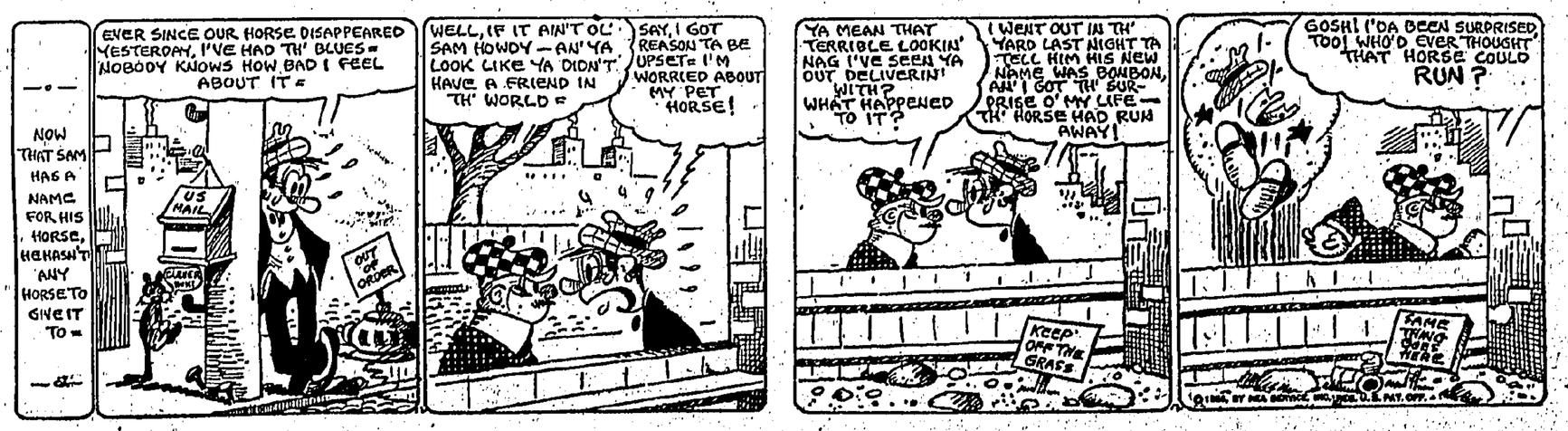
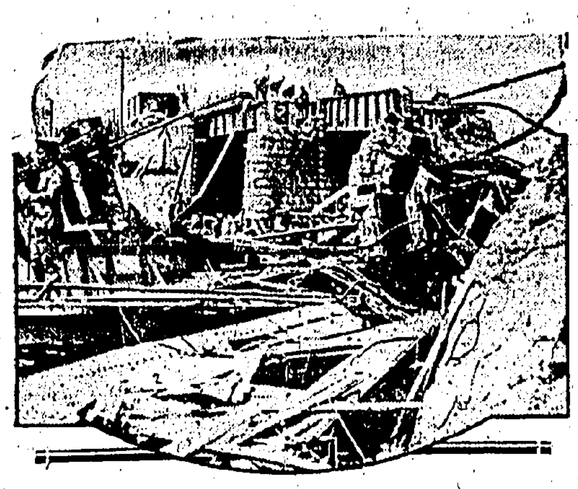


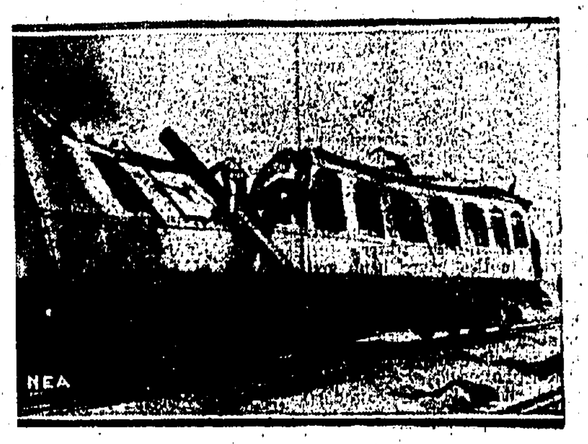
An interesting double wedding took place at St. Joseph's Church Shanghai recently when both brides were daughters of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. K. Quincey Wong. Left to right: Mr. C. L. Wang, best man; Miss Grace Zia, maid of honour; Mr. J. H. Sun, bridegroom; Miss K. S. Wang, his bride; Miss K. H. Wong, bride; Mr. T. C. Wang, bridegroom; Miss Gertrude Chur, maid of honour; Mr. J. C. Chao, best man.

There are romances in the movies apart from those seen on the screen. Here are filmland's latest bride and groom, John Monk Saunders, scenario writer, and Miss Fay Wray, a popular star.

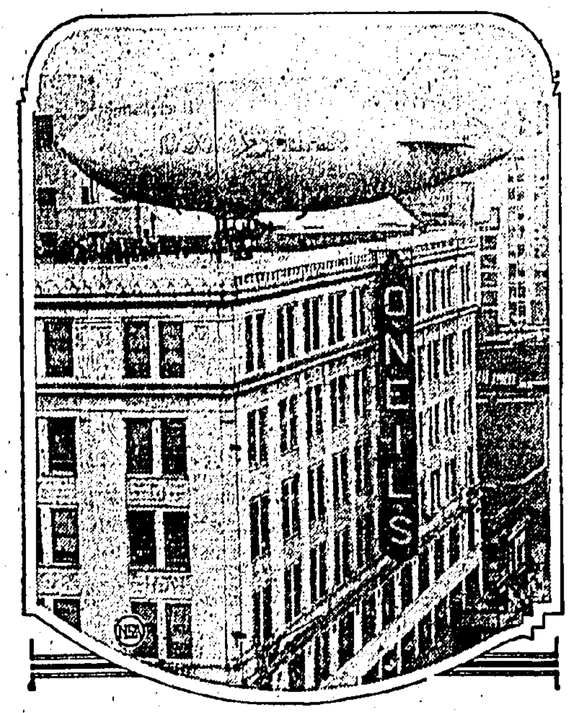


The wreckage of the bridge and the train in which Marshal Chang Tso-lin lost his life is shown above. A dynamite bomb, believed to have been suspended from the bridge was timed to explode just as General Chang Tso-Lin's train passed below.

Above is seen M. Stefan Radich the leader of the Yugo-Slav Peasant Party, who was shot down, seriously wounded in the sensational Parliamentary incident a few weeks ago, when M. Rachich fired six shots, killing two and wounding four.

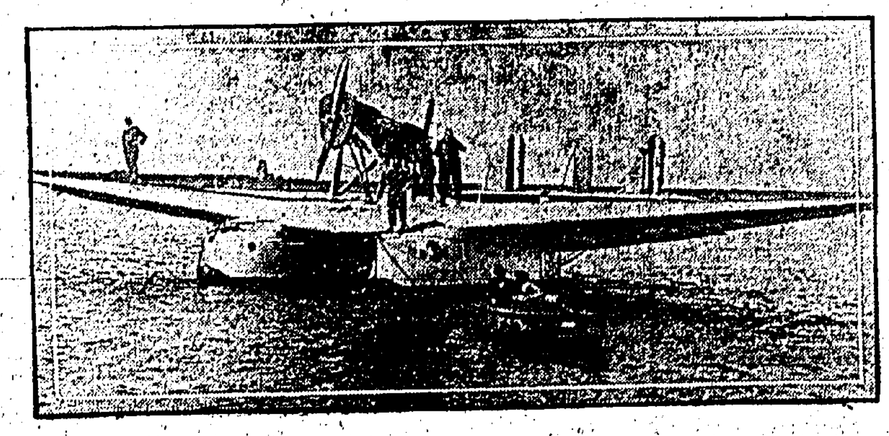


First photo to reach Hongkong of the bombing of the special train of Chang Tso-lin, in which the northern China warlord received wounds causing his death some time later. Photo shows the damage wrought to one of the coaches.



Demonstrating that the landing of aircraft on the roof of buildings is practicable, Mr. Jack Boettner and Mr. Lynch brought the Goodyear baby blimp Pilgrim to rest on top of an American department store. It is the world's smallest dirigible.

The newly-elected officers of the Y. Men's Club of Shanghai for the year 1928-1929. From left to right, sitting: Mr. W. P. Char, Vice-President, Mr. D. Y. Lee, President, Mr. T. H. Patter Chao, Hon. Treas. Standing: Mr. T. Y. Chang, Asst. Treas.; Mr. Sarcey T. Chen, Secretary.



Gen. Umberto Nobile and five of his men who were marooned on an arctic ice floe probably owe their lives to this twin-motored seaplane the Italian craft, Savoia 55, which was twice piloted over Nobile's position by Majors Maddalena and Penzo. Supplies were dropped by parachute. A similar plane was used by del Prato and Ferrarin in their 5,000 miles flight from Rome to South America.

Mr. Herbert Hoover receiving the congratulations of his staff at the Commerce Department, on the news of his nomination as the Republican presidential candidate.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 8th August to TUESDAY, 21st August, 1928, both days inclusive.

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3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.
4—The order of letters cannot be changed.
One solution is printed on another page of this issue.

Peking, July 28.

Fifteen hundred men of the Japanese Expeditionary Force, from infantry, cavalry and artillery units, are leaving Tsingtao for Japan very shortly.—*Reuter.*

POWDER-PUFF TIFF ENDS IN DEATH.

HUSBAND'S STORY OF 5 WEEK'S WEDDED BRIDE.

A pathetic story of a quarrel between a young couple (only five weeks married) which ended in tragedy was told at the inquest at Wellingborough on July 4, on Lily Ivy Knight, 23, who was drowned in the River Nene.

Percy Knight, the husband, said he and his wife quarrelled over money matters, and on a recent Sunday morning he suggested that they should go for a walk.

His wife started to powder her nose, and her mother, with whom they lived, suggested she should leave off powdering. Knight said, as a joke, "Stop powdering," whereupon his wife got angry and refused to go out with him.

Later she pulled her wedding ring off in the street and put it in his pocket, saying: "I have finished with you, Perce."

Wife Walks Away.

Knight said, "Finished with me—that will bring bad luck."

She walked on, and he followed to the Castle Field, where she sat on a form. He sat beside her and asked her to stop "this piffle."

He tried to put the ring back, but she would not let him, so he left her and walked away. Later he saw her making her way towards the river.

Continuing his evidence, Knight said his wife sat down again and he went and sat beside her. She asked him what he wanted and he replied, "I want you, of course." He put his arms round her, tried to make a fuss of her, took her on his knee, and kissed her and she kissed him. He got up and walked towards the road and then, missing her from where she had been sitting, saw her walk towards the bridge over the river. She must have come over faint, because she toppled straight over into the water.

He ran to the river bank and saw her head and hand in the water. He called to some people in the field, and waded into the water about a foot.

Another man came, and they held hands, but could not reach her.

Knight added, "I cannot understand why I did not go right in though I cannot swim. I should have been better off if I had."

The jury returned a verdict of suicide whilst of unsound mind.

CHAIN OF THEATRES.

WILLIAM FOX MAKES HUGE PURCHASE.

New York, July 23.

William Fox, the film magnate, bought a chain of 20 theatres in New England to-day for a reported price of $26,000,000.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Emp. of Canada	July 30.
Japan	Talma	July 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland	July 30.
Shanghai and Amoy	Chenan	July 30.
Saigon	Chenonceaux	July 31.
Japan	Arafura	August 1.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Madison	August 3.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	August 8.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Mon., July 30, 2.30 p.m.
Straits	Prosper	Mon., July 30, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln	Mon., July 30,
	Parcels	3 p.m.
	Registration	4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via San Francisco	Pres. Lincoln	Mon., July 30.
	Parcels	3 p.m.
	Registration	4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	(Due San Francisco 22nd August).	
Tourane	Chungkong	Mon., July 30, 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Kwangtung	Mon., July 30, 4.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Mon., July 30, 4.30 p.m.
Formosa	Morioka Maru	Mon., July 30, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Sunning	Mon., July 30, 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, *Hoihow, Pakhoi and *Haiphong	Hanoi	Mon., July 30, 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Sun Kong	Mon., July 30, 5 p.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Borneo	Tues., July 31, 8.30 p.m.
Formosa	Tatsuno Maru	Tues., July 31, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Chenonceaux	Tues., July 31, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	July 31, 2 p.m.
Weihaiwei	Huichow	Tues., July 31, 2 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mau E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Paul Lecat	Tues., July 31.
	K. P. O.	
	Registration	1 p.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Registration	1.45 p.m.
	Letters	2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 1st Sept.)	
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Tues., July 31, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Chinkiang	Tues., July 31, 6 p.m.
Swatow	Hangsang	Wed., Aug. 1, 10.30 a.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Menado Maru	Thurs., Aug. 2, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heutsz	Thurs., Aug. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Japan and *Victoria B.C.	Talthybius	Thurs., Aug. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Chenan	Thurs., Aug. 2, 12.30 p.m.
Amoy	Namsang	Thurs., Aug. 2, 5 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Arafura	Fri., Aug. 3,
	Parcels	Noon.
	Registration	1.45 a.m.
	Letters	2.30 p.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 18th August).	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	Fri., Aug. 3, 2 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Sulyang	Fri., Aug. 3, 6 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tean	Sat., Aug. 4, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashmir	Sat., Aug. 4.
	K. P. O.	
	Parcels	Aug. 3, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	Aug. 4, 9 a.m.
	Letters	Aug. 4, 10 a.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Parcels	Aug. 3, 5 p.m
	Registration	Aug. 4, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Aug. 4, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 2nd Sept.)	
Straits and Calcutta	Hosang	Sat., Aug. 4,
	Parcels	noon
	Letters	1 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaying	Sun., Aug. 5, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kishu Maru	Sun., July 5, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Ho Sang	Mon., Aug. 6,
	Parcels	noon
	Letters	1 p.m.

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LAWN BOWLS.

TAIKOO SECURE DOUBLE VICTORY.

The Taikoo Dock bowlers secured a double victory on Saturday, their victims in the senior division being the Kowloon Bowling Green while the Kowloon Cricket Club succumbed to their visitors by four shots. The Kowloon Cricket Club held last year's champions to a draw. The third match resulted in a win for the Police.

DIVISION I.

Kowloon Dock v Kowloon Cricket Club.

On their own green, Kowlon Dock Recreation Club drew with Kowloon Cricket Club, the visitors winning on two rinks but losing by 10 shots on the other. Scores:

Kowloon Dock.		Kowloon C.C.	
J. O. MacLaggan		J. T. Dobbie	
J. McKelvie		J. A. Howe	
G. Henderson		A. W. Smith	
S. Gray	17	J. Fraser	23
C. S. Atkinson		F. Goodwin	
F. Cullen		L. E. Lammert	
J. A. Lindsay		G. E. Wragge	
J. C. Brown	21	J. Gibson	11
H. G. Cooper		A. C. Burford	
F. C. Goodman		W. Keegan	
W. P. Hedley		H. Overy	
R. Lapsley	18	A Chapman	22
	56		56

Taikoo R. C. v Bowling Green.

On their own green, Taikoo Recreation Club defeated Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 31 shots. Scores:

Taikoo R.C.		Bowling Green.	
A. Stalker		H. Nish	
J. J. Whyte		D. Harvey	
G. McLeod		T. J. Magill	
F. Ferguson	26	W. Russell	14
J. Laing		R. Duncan	
J. B. Chapman		D. Muir	
J. Russell		A. Holland	
R. Wallace	20	W. Marfarlane	11
J. C. Chalmers		R. Hall	
T. Grimshaw		A. E. Silkstone	
C. B. Matthews		D. Gow	
N. Drummond	33	L. Guy	23
	79		48

Police R. C. v. Civil Service.

Entertaining their neighbours, the Civil Service Cricket Club, Police Recreation Club won by 6 shots, thanks to their solitary but substantial victory on one rink: Scores:

Police R.C.		Civil Service.	
Hargreaves		A. W. Simmons	
W. Glendenning		F. E. Booker	
R. Marks		J. J. Gregory	
A. Clark	28	J. Hollidge	10
Gooding		J. T. Laing	
McLeod		F. Haynes	
W. E. Hollands		S. E. Alderman	
		T. D. E. Pendered	
J. Clark	14		20
J. Oram		R. R. Davies	
J. Wiltshire		H. Westlake	
J. C. West		J. Deakin	
G. C. Moss	12	A. W. Grimmitt	18
	54		48

DIVISION II.

Civil Service v East Point R.C.

At Happy Valley, Civil Service Cricket Club beat East Point Recreation Club by 48 shots. Scores:

Civil Service.		East Point.	
S. Eccleshall		A. Gordon	
C. E. Jones		E. Black	
J. R. Archibald		C. A. Goldenberg	
J. Massey	23	H. Hampton Coates	13
F. H. Holdman		G. Kinnaird	
L. E. Longbottom		H. Akehurst	
L. Luck		L. de Rome	5
R. T. Taylor	31	M. Arnold	
L. R. Whant		J. Baker	
R. S. Vergette		A. Paul	
W. Bickford		A. Webster	12
A. B. Allan	24		30
	78		

Kowloon C. C. v. Taikoo.

On their own green Kowloon Cricket Club lost to Taikoo Recreation Club by 4 shots. Scores:

Kowloon C.C.		Taikoo R.C.	
H. Gittins		R. M. Keown	
E. Shank		S. Hope	
J. P. Robinson		A. Craig	
B. Petheram	28	Jas. Sloan	10
Webb		D. Young	
S. Kern		C. S. Cameron	
C. J. Tacchi		T. Young	
W. W. Hirst	12	D. Munro	24
W. Brace		Spiers	
T. B. Brace		Maxwell	
A. Hyde Lay		Moore	
F. G. Herridge	14	Jn. Sloan	24
	54		58

Bowling Green v. Yacht Club.

Visiting Kowloon Bowling Green, Royal Hongkong Yacht Club lost by 24 shots. Scores:

Bowling Green.		Yacht Club.	
H. Stonham		E. S. Abraham	
Hatt		J. Bentley	
E. W. Hogbin		B. Wylie	
T. R. Forster	22	G. Edwards	14
W. E. Bell		F. Sutton	
W. S. Drake		S. Deacon	
J. Maclachlan		P. W. Ramsay	
G. R. Roylance	23	Carpenter	11
Rundell		A. Murdoch	
Hale		H. S. Rouse	
J. H. Johnston		G. G. Wood	
A. Macfarlane	23	A. L. Shields	18
	67		43

Recreio "B" v. Craigengower.

At King's Park, Club de Recreio "B" lost to Craigengower Cricket Club by 9 shots. Scores:

Recreio "B."		Craigengower.	
Gomes		D. K. Kharas	
F. X. Soares		Y. Abbas	
J. Ribeiro		W. Nicholson	
J. G. Ozorio	19	W. Collins	20
A. Machado		F. K. Modi	
A. V. Barros		S. Flegg	
H. Sequeira		J. T. Lunny	
P. Yvanovich	13	A. A. Razack	22
A. E. S. Alves		R. C. Reed	
E. V. M. R. Sousa		E. Zimmern	
A. H. Basto		A. A. Lewis	
L. E. Gutierrez	17	F. T. Knott	16
	49		58

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, $1295 b.
Chartered Bank, £22½ b.
Mercantile A. & B., £36 n.
P. and O. £9½ n.
East A's $75 b.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., $635 b.
Union Ins., $346 b.
North China, Ins., Tls. 146 b.
Yangtsze Ins., $50 n.
China Underwriters, $2.50 s.
China Fires, $245 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., $730 b.

Shipping.
Douglases, $38½ s.
H. K. Steamboats, $27 s.
H. K. Tugs, $2 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) $70 b.
Union Trans., 100/- n.
Shell Waterboats, $20½ b.

Mining.
Benguets, $1½ b.
Kailans, 60/- n.
Langkats, Tls. 12.20 n.
S'hai Exploration, Tls. 2.45 b.
Raubs, $4.40 b.
Tronohs, 17/6 n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, $136½ n.
Whampoa Docks, $40 b.
China Providents $5.15 s.
Hongkews, Tls. 156 n.
New Engineerings, Tls. 5 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 100 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 8.80 b.
Orientals, Tls. 2.50 n.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 51½ (old) n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, $8.90 b.
H. K. Lands, $67½ b.
S'hai Lands Tls. 138 b.
Humphreys, $14.35 b.
Realties, $7½ s.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, $24.50 b.
Peak Trams, (old) $13 b.
Star Ferries, $64½ b.
China Lights, (Old.) $11.60 b.
H. K. Electrics, $48½ b
Macao Electrics, $26½ b.
Telephones $6.60 ex.
China Buses, Tls. 10.75 b.
Singapore Tractions, 10/6 b

Industrials.
China Sugars, $2.25 s
Malabons, $24½ n.
Canton Ices, $3.70 b.
Cements (Comb.) $9.25 s.
Ropes (Old) $6.80 n.
United Asbestos $8½ s.

Stores &c.
Dairy Farms, $21.90 s.
Watsons, $14 s.
Der A. Wing, 50 n.
Lane Crawfords, $2½ s.
Mackintosh, $20 n.
Sincores, $9.50 n.
Wm. Powells, $3 b.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, $26½ X Div.
Constructions, $1½ n.
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 63% b.
H. K. G. Loan, 6%

QUEER COINCIDENCE.

Kowloon Dock and Shameen Again Draw.

In reciprocation of the hospitality extended to them during the earlier part of the month, the Kowloon Dock R. C. entertained the Shameen Club yesterday afternoon when the return bowls match was played. Like the previous match yesterday's game ended without a definite decision being reached, the scores at the end of the 21st. head being 10-10.

Last Sunday fortnight the local players paid a visit to Canton and engaged the Shameen Club. After gaining a substantial lead during the earlier stages of the match the visitors failed to force a definite decision and returned with honours even, each four scoring 18 shots.

Yesterday's match was, curiously enough, a complete reversal of the previous game in that the Shameen players had a decided advantage right up till the beginning of the second half. The visiting four early established a commanding lead, scoring at each of the first six heads. They were then leading 13-1 but at the tenth head, the local players began to wipe off the deficit.

Shameen led 13-5 at the tenth head and from thence onwards the Dock representatives held the upper hand. They had entirely reversed the scoring and by securing threes and twos they quadually crept up to their opponents. For six heads the visitors failed to score. Excitement ran high towards the end when the Dock players seemed to have recovered their form sufficiently to win the match but the Shameen players were not to be beaten and averted defeat by some skilful bowling.

The final score was:

Kowloon Dock.	Shameen.
W. Hedley	G. Duncan, Jnr.
A. M. Simpson	Hunderhill
R. Lapsley	J. Baud
G. Duncan, Snr. 19	S. Lillicrap 19

It is understood that the Kowloon Dock players will pay a further visit to Canton in the near future to decide the issue.

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WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Dissatisfied Wives.

[By Olive Roberts Barton.]

You can talk as you like about men having it all their own way in the world, but maybe they do and maybe they don't.

At any rate, I believe it would be a good thing if young husbands with dissatisfied wives could take said wives to the office with them about one day out of every month and make them sit there from nine until five, with a piece of pie and a cup of coffee around the corner for lunch, and let them get an idea of what it means to hustle for a living.

Most wives answering to the above description never see the inside of the works. All they see is a mind picture of John, an immaculate island in a sea of plush and mahogany entirely surrounded by pretty office girls to do his work.

I was amused the other day at a young married girl who had slipped into a very busy newspaper office to get her John and take him home in the little car. She stopped in the doorway, confused and uncertain. Surely she couldn't be in the right place! This enormous room, a whole floor, indeed, with its rows of desks, each bearing a typewriter, behind which sat a man in shirt sleeves clacking away for dear life—this couldn't be John's office.

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Why nobody had on a coat even, and such a glare of light! What they needed there was a woman or two to put up some shades and curtains, and teach those men some manners! I could see that in her eyes. No coats! And not a soul to greet her and ask her what she wanted! Nobody paid any more attention to her than if she'd been a chair. And that noise and clang from the street, and the dirt and dust! Horrible! How could they think?

Then she saw John, over in a hot corner, tired and dishevelled, running his hands through his hair and reading over some copy. I saw the startled look in her eyes, and then came pity. Her John, whom she wasn't always nice to when he came home!

Why not organize a society to take young wives to the places where their husbands work all day long? Then perhaps if John says he has a headache and can't play bridge, she will understand why, and not add to his already crowded day by having him coax her out of a temper.

Lily Damita, a French actress who has been chosen by Samuel Goldwyn to play opposite Ronald Colman fears she may burst out laughing in the middle of an intense love scene.

For Sports Wear.

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Married Boredom.

HOW ONE WOMAN FOUND A CURE.

[By Mary Betterton.]

Lack of common interest between husband and wife is one of the most frequent causes of failure in marriage.

So long as the children are young and everything they do is worth talking about, even the most incompatible of couples can get along.

But when the children have grown up, or if there have never been any children, there often begins to grow a gulf between the two. The man has little but his business or his profession. The woman has her troubles with her servants or her tradesmen. Each finds it difficult to take a genuine interest in the other's daily routine.

Those Dangerous Silences.

They talk less and less. He is hurried at breakfast, tired at dinner, and the week-ends are mostly golf or motoring. At the worst this lack of common interest leads to that dismal tragedy, "the silent wife," or "the silent husband," where, according to the cases that come so frequently into court, a married couple will go for weeks and months, and even years, without exchanging a world.

The other day I came across a young wife who had seen this danger approaching and had triumphantly avoided it.

When Housekeeping Lost its Glamour.

"In the first years of our married life," she told me, "we never lacked something to talk about. We were both young and took delight in hearing about each other's doings. But that passed, as I think it must always pass. Housekeeping ceased to be a romantic adventure and my husband's business became a rather dusty and absorbing struggle.

"After a week of practically silent dinners I took my resolve. I said to myself that since we had no ground upon which we could meet I would create it.

How Newspapers Solved the Problem.

"I had travelled more than once up in the train with him and found that he talked with animation to his friends about what was in the morning paper. I decided that I would read the newspapers regularly and thoroughly so that I could talk with him about the days' news.

"Almost immediately it was a success. I read practically the whole paper—politics, foreign news, law cases, criminal trials. At first it was an effort and I did it chiefly out of determination to give my scheme a fair trial. But soon I was reading almost entirely for pleasure.

Tonic Effect of Sharing a Joke.

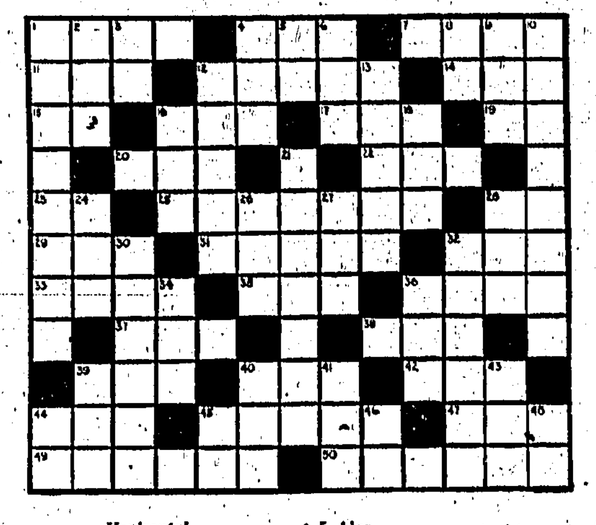
"I shall never forget the quick glance he gave me when a day or two after I had begun I asked him if he had noticed an old little police-court case. As it happened he had, and we both laughed together over it, the first joke we had shared for some time.

"I did not tell him what I was doing, but very soon he found it out, and partly out of curiosity he would ask me if I had seen this or that, or what I thought of some great flight or some notable speech.

"Then gradualy it became a settled habit. I was soon able to help him. He was obviously pleased when he could turn to me when there were guests and ask some name or fact in recent news. I even came to be able to give him gardening hints through reading the gardening articles.

"It was the beginning of a new comradeship between us which shows no signs of weakening. Morning and evening newspapers have now become daily necessities to me. The interest is not pretended. I have found life is ever so much more interesting than I thought it was, and that has helped to make us both happy."

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Horizontal.

1 Who founded Pennsylvania?
4 Label.
7 Who was the president of Mexico for 27 years?
11 Unit.
12 Constant.
14 To bind.
15 Hypothetical structural unit.
16 To strike.
17 Salary.
19 What is the abbreviation for "Member of Parliament"?
20 Chum.
22 Moisture.
23 Abbreviation for company.
25 Ironic essays.
28 Myself.
29 Upper human limb.
31 Series of metal links.
32 What is the abbreviation for "gallon"?
33 Benms.
35 Embryo bird.
36 Fairy.
37 To propel a boat by means of oars.
38 Battering machine.
39 Cotton-seeding machine.
40 To make a mistake.
42 Egg of a louse.
44 Collection of facts.
45 Footpath through the wilderness.
47 Born.
49 At the mouth of what river is the city of New York?
50 What prophet interpreted the handwriting on the wall for Belshazzar? (Bib.)

Vertical.

1 Who was the war-time president of France?
2 To finish.
3. Point of compass.
4 Child.
5 Alas.
6 Aperture.
8 Neuter pronoun.
9 Intention.
10 Who brought out the first notable airship?
12 Shrub having white or purple clusters of flowers.
13 Freighted.
15 Possesses.
18 Affirmative.
21 Which are the most famous waterfalls in America?
24 Old English coin.
26 Definite article.
27 An outfit.
28 To damage.
30 An immense number.
32 Which zodiacal constellation is called the "Twins"?
34 Male child.
36 Cooking utensil.
39 African antelope.
40 Sea eagle.
41 To free.
43 Tiny golf device.
44 Exclamation of pleasure.
45 Toward.
46 Minor note in scale.
48 Deity.

Saturday's Solution.

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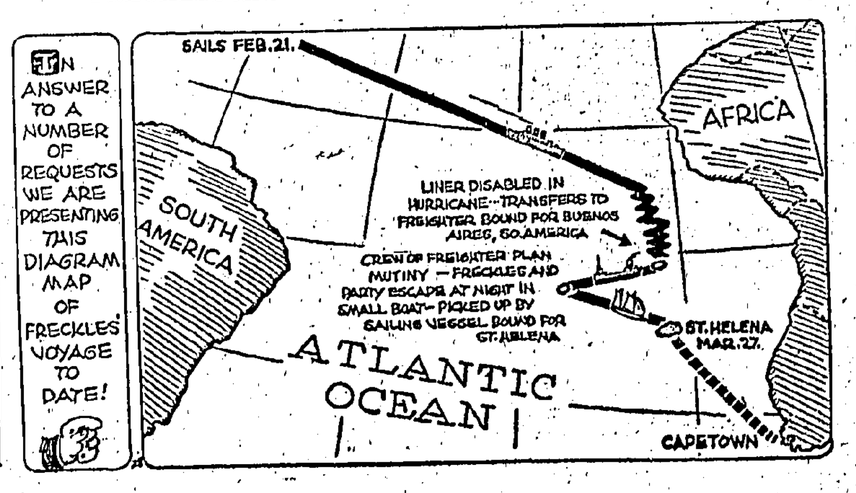

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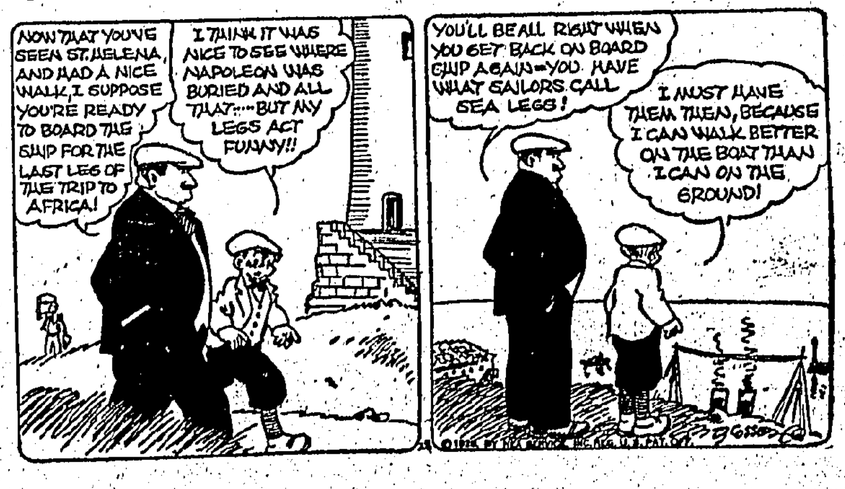

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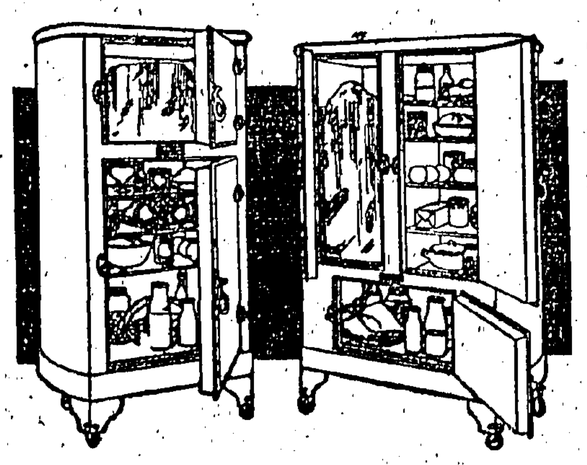

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RATE RELIEF.

Although the Baldwin Government is able, by reason of its substantial majority in the House of Commons, to carry through the legislative proposals which it from time to time introduces, and to reject any motions of censure emanating from the Opposition, it is apparent from Home papers that its policy on big domestic issues is not meeting with unqualified approval. When the rating relief proposal was first introduced, it was hailed as a step likely to be of immense benefit to industry in general and agriculture in particular. With the passage of time, however, other views are gaining currency, and it is being contended that no amount of financial juggling or transference of the rates burden will assist industry. The point is conceded by critics of the Government that change in the rating system is badly needed, but it is doubted whether the change proposed is the right one.

The Government scheme consists, in broad terms, in reducing the rates now paid to the local authorities by factories, mines and other industrial undertakings by three-fourths. This step had already been taken, some years ago, with regard to farm lands and buildings, which pay only one-fourth of the ordinary rates; they are now to be relieved of the remaining fourth, and about one half of the money required to make good these losses is to be found by new taxes, principally the duty on petrol, and the other half by diminishing the sums provided for paying off the National Debt. Sir Herbert Samuel, in a criticism of the Government scheme, points out that sooner or later, directly or indirectly, the petrol tax must come out of the pockets of the people. The London Omnibus Company alone will have to pay £400,000 a year towards it, whilst in the country the additional cost for every omnibus that plies is estimated at about £90 a year. Needless to say, the travelling public will be called upon to provide this money. The development of trade and industry demands cheap transport, whilst the solution of the housing problem depends largely upon cheap travel to and from the industrial quarters. Moreover, the farmer who uses motor transport to any great extent may find that he has to pay more in extra petrol duty than the amount of the rate-relief on his farm—relief, be it noted, which is not to come into operation until the autumn of next year, by which time the present Government may or may not be in office to carry out its pledges. It is to be remembered also that the relief in rates is to apply to every industry, whether distressed or not. In this connexion, the Deputy Lord Mayor of Birmingham recently described it as "a positive outrage on public decency" that undertakings, in two of which he has himself an interest, which are paying dividends up to twenty per cent. of their capital, should be granted £50,000 or £75,000 a year of public money. Contrast this fact with the other, that the working classes get no rate reduction, and, with yet another, that the shopkeeper gets no consideration under the scheme, either.

In the opinion of Sir Herbert Samuel, the Government has conceived its rating proposals on the wrong lines, and he contends that the better way would have been to transfer from the local authorities to the State certain services which are the rightful concern of the latter. In particular, the care and cost of the able-bodied poor should be so transferred, as the consequence would be that the most depressed districts would be helped the most. All classes of ratepayers would share in this relief, but it would be greatest where it is needed most.

New American Pact.

Substantially, the new Pact agreed at Peking between Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, for the United States, and Mr. T. V. Soong, for the Nationalist Government, does no more than declare America's consent to the grant of tariff autonomy to China. The published text confirms our reading of the long and carefully-worded Note by Mr. Kellogg to the Nanking Government last week, in which he expressed the willingness of his Government to enter into negotiations for the conclusion of a new Treaty, but expressly limited the scope of the discussion to the tariff question. We cannot see that anything of real value has been achieved, since any alteration of the present commercial relations between the United States and China is entirely dependent upon the other Powers falling into line. America is not prepared to submit to a new tariff scale which is not applicable to the nationals of other countries trading with China, and that, as we see it, is the error into which the United States has fallen. We are in perfect agreement, and have been all along, with the principle that China should be granted tariff autonomy at the earliest possible moment, but we fail to see the logic of independent action by America in this connexion when she is not content with independent treatment. The answer, perhaps, will be that the United States desired to give a lead, but if this is the case, it would seem manifestly ill-timed in view of the stand taken by Japan in regard to the abrogation of the Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty. Japan is determined that no treaty revision negotiations will be undertaken as far as she is concerned until the notice of abrogation is withdrawn, while Italy, which tacitly consented originally, is now stiffening in her attitude. More than ever is it essential that the Powers should come to some definite understanding, and we think America would have been better advised to make a move towards this end rather than to undermine, however unintentionally, the Japanese position, which amounts to dignified insistence upon her rights. Britain, we know, is prepared to grant tariff autonomy, but will, we trust, wait until Nanking acknowledges its obligations under existing Treaties. Incidentally it would seem only sensible that formal recognition of the Nationalist Government should come before Treaty revision.

Mr. R. J. Twentyman, who died at Pickering, Yorkshire, on July 21st, was formerly associated with shipping and dock companies in Hongkong and Shanghai. He retired from the latter port in 1905 and had since lived in England.

DAY BY DAY.

EVERY MAN, HOWEVER LITTLE, MAKES A FIGURE IN HIS OWN EYES.—*Henry Home.*

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The Ben Line s.s. Benalder, from Home and Straits ports, is due here on Thursday.

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The Hongkong Tramways, Ltd., has declared an interim dividend of sixty cents, payable on August 22nd.

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On Saturday, a number of Chinese householders were fined for pouring kerosene in water-pipes out of spite because they could not obtain water on upper floors.

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The *Times* correspondent in Batavia, Mr. Hunter, had a six minutes conversation with Mr. Antcliffe, representative of the *Daily Mail* in Holland. The demonstration lasted an hour and a half.

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A stoker of the "Star" Ferry Company's launch Northern Star was sentenced to six months' hard labour and twelve strokes at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday for snatching an ear-ring from an amah.

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A company of Dutch, British and German newspaper men in Batavia last week had a very successful conversation with colleagues in Holland through the wireless stations at Bandoeng and Kootwijk. Transmission was very clear and distinct.

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A fine of $5 was imposed on a Chinese who was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with riding a bicycle to the danger of the public. The defendant was stated to have had a passenger on the cross-bar and was steering a zig-zag course.

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In charging a Chinese, before Major C. Willson, his morning, with travelling on the Shamshuipo Ferry without paying his fare, Inspector Bloor said the man had been warned by the Ferry Company on one or two other occasions when he did the same thing. A fine of $4 was imposed.

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A junk, containing a full load of firewood, suddenly sprang a leak and sank while moored alongside the Yuen Yuen Wharf, on the central water-front, yesterday. The crew were picked out of the water by other craft in the vicinity. The cargo of firewood has also been taken out of the sunken junk, and there are hopes of refloating her in a day or two.

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Rear Admiral William M. Folger, U.S. Navy, retired, died at Boston on July 23 at the age of 84. Admiral Folger was in the Orient at various times from 1898 to 1905. He was commander of the Asiatic Fleet at the time of his retirement in June, 1905. Prior to that he had been in command of the Philippine squadron and of the cruiser squadron of the Asiatic Fleet.

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On November 28th next, the Empress of Canada will leave Hongkong for Europe via Suez to be re-engined. The Empress of France will take the run of the Empress of Canada between Hongkong and Vancouver. The Empress of France is well known to Atlantic travellers, being one of the favourite steam ships in the Atlantic service of the Canadian Pacific.

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We have received from Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son an attractive issue of the *Auckland Weekly News*, comprising more than eighty pages, freely illustrated, of which a great part is devoted to the sporting possibilities of New Zealand. These include unrivalled facilities in respect of trout, salmon and big fish, some of the swordfish caught weighing over 600 lbs. *Deer-stalking, pheasant, wild goose and duck shooting* are also most popular.

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The engagement of Miss Eleanor Gamble of Haverford, and Commander Jules James of the United States Navy, is announced. Miss Gamble, niece of Mrs. Stimson, came to Manila with Governor General and Mrs. Stimson last March and was their guest until a few weeks ago. Commander James is naval aide to the Governor General. He also is socially prominent in Manila. He is a member of the board of directors of the Army and Navy Club.

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The many friends of Dr. Eva Ho Tung will be pleased to know that she was successful at the recent examinations at the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, and that she had obtained the Diploma of Gynaecology and Obstetrics (D.G.O). Miss Ho Tung graduated in December 1926, and was the first lady graduate in Medicine of this University. She studied at London and was successful in gaining the Diploma of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (D. T. M. & H.) some time ago.

TO ABOLISH CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

BILL BEFORE MANILA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Branding capital punishment as un-Christian, inhuman and an obsolete penal measure, Representative Pedro Gil, of Manila, is sponsoring a move to abolish the death penalty in a Bill introduced in the House of Representatives, seeking the repeal of the present death penalty law.

In his explanatory remarks accompanying the Bill, Representative Gil outlines his arguments against capital punishment and in favour of the move to discard the death penalty law from the statute books. In addition to the claim that the death penalty is un-Christian and inhuman, Representative Gil alleges that the death penalty has proved a distinct failure as a means of solving crimes and criminality. As a deterrent to crime, he further claims, capital punishment has been a failure as criminals have not been held back from wrongdoing just because of the fear of the death penalty.

The fact that capital punishment is in effect in many countries should be no reason for the continuation of the penalty in Manila, Mr. Gil further claims, as criminality and the problem of social offenders in the Philippines are surrounded by entirely different conditions and circumstances than those in other countries, and the treatment of crimes and criminals in the Philippines calls for entirely different procedure.

Mr. Gil ends his explanatory notes by claiming that death penalty is obsolete as a penal measure and is contrary to all modern principles of criminal correction and treatment, and that it has been abolished in many progressive countries.

About Hong Kong.

Do you know that——

American whalers were in the early days of the Colony in the habit of putting into Hongkong to refit?

So pleased were the owners with the resources available here that for many years they repeated the visits in increasing numbers. From December, 1850, to March, 1851, fifteen such vessels arrived, laden with oil, of which a considerable portion was shipped to London. During the following season, 37 whalers arrived with over 616,000 gallons of oil.

It is interesting in this connexion to note that a novel sport was provided in February, 1863, by the appearance in Hongkong Harbour of a stray whale. It was chased by a crowd of amateur whalers, with improvised harpoons, and pursued far out to sea, but it made good its escape.

BURGLAR SENTENCED.

GIVEN FOUR MONTHS AT KOWLOON.

Found with articles of clothing and a jade bangle in his possession, a Chinese was taken to the Police Station early on Saturday morning for enquiries to be made.

On the completion of investigations, it was discovered that the articles had been stolen from No. 303, Laichikok Road, which house had been broken into at 4 a.m. on Saturday, the lock on the door having been forced.

On the circumstances being related to Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when the arrested man was charged with burglary, his Worship passed sentence of four months' hard labour.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, July 29.

Paris	124.10
Brussels	34.01
Amsterdam	12.07¾
Berlin	20.34
Copenhagen	18.19
Vienna	34.425
Helsingfors	193
Lisbon	2.3/16
Bucharest	797½
Buenos Aires	47.7/16
Shanghai	2/8
Yokohama	1/10⅝
New York	4.85 25/32
Geneva	25.23
Milan	92.80
Stockholm	18.15
Oslo	18.20
Prague	163¾
Madrid	29.52
Athens	375
Rio	5.29/32
Bombay	1/5⅞
Hongkong	2/0⅝
Silver (spot and forward)	27⅝

—*British Wireless.*

The Very Idea!

The Rev. Denham Rowe Norman celebrated his 100th birthday recently at All Saints Vicarage, Warwick, where his son-in-law is vicar.

Of modern inventions he likes wireless best. "It keeps me in touch with the world," he said. "I never miss the morning service broadcast." He loves his garden and pipe, and up to a year or so ago he was quite equal to doing his gardening. "Now," he lamented, "I have to sit outside and admire other people's work."

His daughter stated that Mr. Norman does not talk much about flappers and modern mothers. He realises that times have changed. Neither is he worried about the Prayer Book. "Any Prayer Book will do for me," he said.

Mr. Norman proudly exhibited a truncheon which he used during the Chartist riots.

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According to recent experiments in Germany, women are less changeful than men.

Conservative well you may be,
Fair lady whom I took to wife;
Yet, such a trait I do not see
In every aspect of your life.

Two things, at least, you'd change, my dear,
As oft as chances you could find:
The first's your frock (that's fairly clear);
The next, my precious, is your mind.

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Wearily the tramp meandered up the garden path and took off his hat to the lady of the house. She eyed him keenly. "Look here, aren't you the man to whom I gave a good meal one cold, blenk. February morning?" she demanded, sternly. "I'm the man, mum," was the reply.

"Well, do you remember you promised to shovel all the snow out of my garden, and then sneaked off without doing it?" "Yes, mum, an' conscience smote me. That's the reason I tramped all the way back here through the blazing sun to finish the job."

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East Ham woman: Why should you always be pleasant with your landlady when you do not feel it?

Solicitor at Bow County Court: Was he rude when you served the summons? Man: Not exactly. He tore it up and put it on the fire.

Woman at Mansfield: People often say "hell" when they are not in a bad temper.

A woman who was granted a summons against her husband at Clerkenwell complained that he threw winkles at her at tea time.

Man accused of obstruction at Lambeth: As it happens I happen to have a large family, and I happened to do a bit of talking, and the young gentleman happened to come and tap me on the shoulder.

Motorist accused at Feltham of driving at fifty miles an hour: I was going at the ordinary touring speed.

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"John," asked the nagging wife, as the bedtime hour approached, "is everything shut up for the night?"

"That depends on you," growled Henpeck; "everything else is."

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A Stradivarius violin was awaiting Mr. Henry Ford's inspection when he arrived in New York recently. A few weeks previously the instrument was lying covered in coal dust in the cellar of a policeman's home.

The constable John Byer, of Rye, in answer to the pleas of his young daughter, took the violin from the cellar. He took it to a shop and asked if it could be cleaned so that his daughter could take lessons.

The proprietor found a mark on the violin which led him to offer the policeman £300 for it. Other dealers made offers rising to £4,400. New York experts said it was one of five "Strads" made in 1736.

Then a dealer who scours the country seeking old violins for Mr. Ford advised the owner to await his return.

In the meantime the policeman, who has six children, is receiving £15 a week from Mr. Robert Kahn, the violinist, for permission to use the instrument at his concerts. The policeman has now insured his treasure for £10,000.

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The political aspirant made one more attempt to rouse enthusiasm in his audience.

"Gentlemen," he said, "we need something to carry this constituency by the biggest majority ever known. What is it?"

And the quick response came from a deep voice at the back of the hall:—

"A different candidate!"

PROF. MALMGREN'S HEROIC END.

MAJOR ZAPPI VISITS AGED MOTHER.

DEEPLY IMPRESSED.

Stockholm, July 29.

Major Zappi, one of Professor Malmgren's companions in the terribly hazardous trek from the wreck of the "Italia" in search of land, and during which he met his death, visited Professor Malmgren's mother to-day, accompanied by the Italian Consul-General.

Major Zappi handed to Mrs. Malmgren, her son's compass, and a sealed package containing her son's belongings which he had deposited on the base-ship "Cita di Milano."

Madame Malmgren's son-in-law was also present during a long conversation which followed, and in an interview later he declared that both Prof. Malmgren's mother and himself had been deeply impressed by Major Zappi's frankness and steadfast bearing.

The conversation was chiefly devoted to the subject of Professor Malgren's separation from Major Mariano in the ice-field.

It will be recalled that the navigators after their rescue described how Malmgren's legs were frozen and he urged them to abandon him in the hope that by his death they would save the others.—*Reuter.*

Swedish Expedition.

Stockholm, July 28.

The "Italia's" crew and the Swedish Rescue Expedition arrived at the railway junction near here.

The former's car was uncoupled and continued its journey.

The latter arrived in Stockholm and were very warmly welcomed at the station by the Minister of Defence, while a large crowd lined the streets and heartily cheered.—*Reuter.*

The Krassin's Work.

Moscow, July 28.

The passengers of the s.s. Monte Cervantes boarded the s.s. Krassin *en bloc* and thanked the Russians on the completion of their diving operations from the Krassin, which resulted in the repair of the Monte Cervantes.—*Reuter.*

Arrive in Denmark.

Copenhagen, July 29.

The railway coach containing the "Italia's" survivors arrived at midnight aboard the ferry from Malmoe and was greeted by the Italian Minister. The voyage was without incident. The survivors have been installed at the Italian Legation. Major Zappi was not present: he is believed to have accompanied the Swede, Captain Lundborgh (who rescued Nobile by air) to visit Dr. Malmgren's mother at Stockholm from whence he will go to Copenhagen to-night the rejoin his companions.

General Nobile in an interview said that he was physically fit but unable to shake off the feeling of depression. Sig. Ceccioni, whose death has frequently been misreported from the Arctic, hobbling on crutches with a foot bandaged, was emphatic in his statement that General Nobile was rightly taken off the ice first, he "being the most ill."

Will Write a Book.

The Czechoslovak, Professor Behounek, who was one of the Viglieri party, is leaving for Prague direct, where, as all his scientific notes are intact, he will begin the writing of a book forthwith on the results of the expedition.—*Reuter.*

"COME" OR "GO."

HAWKER DIDN'T UNDERSTAND CONSTABLE.

On being charged, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, this morning, with obstruction by depositing goods on the roadway at Pokfulum, a hawker asked to be pardoned. He said all the warning he had from the Indian constable, who arrested him, was the showing of one finger which might mean "come" or "go." He was not to be expected to understand what the Indian wanted.

Later, defendant accused the constable of an indecent haste in grabbing the four cents he had just obtained from a customer, and suggested, as the reason for the arrest, that the Indian was prevented from obtaining possession of the money.

The constable, in reply to the Bench, said he had previously warned the defendant and only made the arrest on discovering the hawker at the same spot when he returned on his beat an hour later.

A fine of $3 was inflicted.

At the Harbour Office this morning, before Commdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., four mistresses and two masters of cargo junks were charged with mooring inshore during dark hours, and, pleading guilty, were each fined $10, with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment.

NEW SHIPPING ARRIVAL.

VESSEL WHICH SAW WAR SERVICE.

A new vessel in Hongkong, with a long string of former names, is the s.s. Danybryn, which appeared in this morning's reports. She is a collier running under charter to the Admiralty and is at present berthed in the Naval Anchorage.

The Danybryn was a vessel of the "standard" type, built as the War Fantail in 1918 by Duncan and Co., at Port Glasgow, and engined by Rankin and Blackmore, of Greenock, to 517 N.H.P. She is now owned by the Brynmor S.S. Co., and registered in London, her dimensions being length 375.6 feet, beam 51.7 feet, and depth 26.6 feet, with a gross tonnage of 4,453 and nett tonnage, 2,697.

Entering with 4,850 tons of coal for local discharge and 1,000 coal for Shanghai on a draft of 22 feet 3 inches, the Danbryn is commanded by Captain Mead, with a crew of 15 British, 8 Malays and 9 Arabs. Of the officers serving none has been East before.

As the War Fantail, the Danybryn saw war service and subsequently changed ownership and name, becoming the Nilemede. Another sale changed her to the Haramattan and she was then bought by the Brynmor Company in the early months of this year and now makes her maiden voyage out of Barry. The Bank Line are acting as local agents.

MAH JONNG QUARREL.

COOLIE WOUNDED WITH A CHOPPER.

Sentence of four weeks' hard labour was imposed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, this morning, on an ex-employee of the Taikoo Docks who was charged with wounding a coolie of 172, Main Street, Shaukiwan.

The defendant pleaded guilty, but explained to the Magistrate that he was victimised by the complainant, who was caught cheating at Mah Jonng. He exposed the complainant, whereupon the latter set upon him with a stool and the defendant picked up a chopper which he used in self-defence.

The complainant told the Court that the defendant demanded back certain sums, which he had lost earlier in the day at Mah Jonng. On the complainant refusing to pay, the defendant set on him with a chopper.

In addition to the sentence of four weeks' hard labour, Mr. Lindsell ordered the defendant to pay compensation of $10 or do a further fourteen days.

FAMILY POISONED.

FOUR CHINESE REMOVED TO HOSPITAL.

After partaking of their evening meal, yesterday, four members of a Chinese family—a woman and her three children—living on the first floor of No. 8, Lai On Lane, West Point, suffered from effects symptomatic of poisoning.

Police who were informed of the occurence by the other occupants of the floor, visited the house and removed the sufferers, who were in a semi-conscious state, to the Government Civil Hospital.

The remains of the food, which principally comprised some sweet-boiled rice purchased from an eating-house at West Point, have been taken by the police for analysis.

The condition of the patients is not considered serious.

PERAK GHOSTS!

WEIRD HAPPENINGS REPORTED FROM MALAYA.

Ipoh, July 20.

A weird phenomena is exciting residents of Tapah, where an authenticated report is published of mysterious happenings in a shophouse. At about eight o'clock on Monday night a local barber's shop received a steady rain of stones at intervals.

The barber reported the matter to the police, who failed to discover the source, which apparently was from the blue. Then a perfect police cordon was formed around the shop, but stones, large and small, rained on the roof hailing the watchers. Many got the "wind-up" and left scared. The fusillage stopped after two hours. The same experience happened the next night.

Similar happenings occurred in Kuala Lumpur some years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Roskruge are to sail for Home by s.s. Kashmir on Saturday next on leave. Mr. Roskruge is the light-keeper at Waglan.

U. S. S. PITTSBURGH'S ESCAPE.

NEARLY HIT BY BIG WATERSPOUT.

CARGO BOAT IS HIT.

Shanghai, July 21.

The U. S. S. Pittsburgh flagship of the Asiatic squadron, with Admiral Bristol and staff officers and several hundred sailors and marines aboard, narrowly escaped this afternoon being hit by a huge waterspout, one of the largest ever seen in the China Sea, while the vessel was proceeding from Tsingtao to Shanghai.

The cruiser had just entered the mouth of the Yangtsze about 1.30 this afternoon when the waterspout formed about five miles ahead of the boat.

The spout which stirred up a terrific commotion on the surface of the water, proceeded directly toward the Pittsburgh but struck a large Japanese cargo boat which was directly forward, turning the cargo boat entirely around, following which the spout struck a large Chinese junk, demolishing the sails and superstructure of this craft.

By slightly altering its course the Pittsburgh missed the spout by a bare 300 yards, although the cruiser was subjected to a heavy wind which jumped from 3 knots to nearly 50 knots within a period of three minutes. The thermometer dropped 20 degrees and the barometer dropped one hundredths of an inch.

The spout was fifty yards in diameter at the base at the water's surface and extended conewise upward until it had increased to 150 yards in diameter at the top touching the clouds.

When the spout was first observed the Pittsburgh's crew hurriedly fastened down canvasses, preventing any damage from the deluge of rain which followed the passage of the waterspout.

The ship's photographer was enabled to make pictures of the phenomenon.

MOTOR-CAR TOUTS.

YOUNG OFFENDER'S RETORT TO MAGISTRATE.

No fewer than ten motor-car touts who were rounded up during the week-end, in the West Point restaurant quarter, were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Police Court, this morning.

In charging a small boy with the offence, a police officer described him as an old offender—one who, to cut out his rivals, at one time punctured their tyres and was subsequently fined for maliciously damaging property.

"You are incorrigible," observed his Worship to the offender.

"Not so," was the quick reply. "I have to earn my living in any case."

His Worship said that instead of earning money, he was losing it in having to appear before the Court for the offence with which he was now charged.

On learning that the defendant was on bail in the amount of $15, his Worship ordered this to be turned over as a fine.

CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF EGGS.

JUDGMENT AGAINST THE CAFE PAVILION.

The value of eggs supplied to the Cafe Pavilion, 96 Nathan Road, Kowloon, between April 2 and May 14 this year which had not been totally paid for was claimed in the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Jacks, by the Luen Hing Firm, 1 Wing Shing Street. Of the total sum originally claimed, $656, two amounts totalling $215 were repaid.

Mr. Horace Lo was for the plaintiff firm, the defendants being neither present nor represented.

At the beginning of the case his Lordship asked:—"Who are the Cafe Pavilion?"

Mr. Lo replied that he did not know the names of the partners. After commenting that the case was against the firm, Mr. Lo continued that the plaintiff firm dealt in all kinds of eggs, various quantities of which were supplied to the Cafe Pavilion, Mr. J. Videro signing acknowledgments on behalf of the Cafe.

On May 22, Mr. Lo went on, he wrote to the Cafe applying for payment of $656. Three days later, a reply was received, together with $100, stating that they were prepared to settle the claim on instalments, which were set out. Messrs. Lo and Lo replied that they could not accept the terms mentioned but offered to accept $250 forthwith and further instalments. The Cafe replied that they could not possibly settle the account as required. Another sum of $114 was received, said Mr. Lo and eventually a writ was taken out.

Mr. Lo added that Messrs. Deacons were instructed to act for the Cafe when the writ was issued. He understood that Messrs. Deacons wrote to him (Mr. Lo) on Saturday saying that they had no further instructions but he had not so far received that letter.

His Lordship said that the Cafe had admitted the debt all along, had paid two instalments, and had offered to pay the balance. He would give judgment for the Luen Hing Firm for the balance, $442, with costs.

RELEASED FOR ONE COPPER?

INTERESTING SHANGHAI STORY.

Mr. Hsu Ching-jen, general manager of the Pu Yih Cotton Mill, Shanghai, who was forced out of his motor-car on Great Western Road by four kidnappers and taken away for ransom recently, returned home safely last week.

It is said that he had to pay $30,000 to the kidnappers. There is, however, a rumour circulated among Mr. Hsu's friends here that the kidnappers discovered after having taken Mr. Hsu to their den that Mr. Hsu is a good man who is held very high in the Chinese community for his morality and for the charities he has done in the past, that they released him upon payment of one copper only.

While the truth of the one copper ransom has to be verified, it is certain that Mr. Hsu arranged with his kidnappers for his own release without waiting for help from his family or friends.

"She's the one everybody says looks like me when she turns her head this way. See if you think so."

DEMOCRATS' "DRY" CONVENTION.

HOW THE REPUBLICAN PRESS SEES IT.

BITTER SARCASM.

New York, June 30.

The nice question of the liquid refreshment of delegates, and especially so-called Dry delegates to the Houston Convention has provided wonderful material for the imagination of cartoonists and special correspondents of New York papers, of which they have been quick to take advantage.

One of the most popular cartoons showed a long bar in a Houston hotel at which two Southern Drys with glasses raised were sitting on high stools. Two other Drys were hurrying out, wiping their mouths as they went, one of them remarking, "Well, I guess we must now get busy on that Dry plank."

According to the special correspondent at Houston of the *New York Sun*, the Convention was the the wettest in recent years.

"Not for Tammany in these exalted hours," remarks the *Sun* correspondent, "the pumper juice of Gordon or the distillations of Dewar and Walker. Tammany is drunk rather with the wine of Dewar and Walker. Tammany is drunk rather with the wine of victory and with the acclaim of its perfect propriety.

"Among the Western and Southern delegates whose every breath should have born a revenue stamp, Tammany passed with the sweet exhalations of a new-born babe. Living in an hotel where the clinking of whiskey glasses and the soothing rattle of cocktail shakers were audible upon every floor and in almost every room, Tammany firmly put aside every temptation, and did its celebrating with iced tea and ginger ale.

"In fact," says the correspondent—it should be said the *Sun* is Republican, and, therefore, anti-Tammany in politics—"I did not see a single light of Tammany who would have been afraid to blow his breath straight in the face of the Prohibition Commissioner himself."

When Governor Smith arrived at his office at Albany yesterday he found his desk piled high with flowers and nearly 10,000 telegrams, not only from all parts of the United States and Canada, but also from England and Ireland.

More than a hundred Prohibition agents, attired like their Scotland Yard confreres when engaged on similar missions, invaded the Broadway district early yesterday in the midst of the enthusiasm and jubilation over the Democratic nominations.

Sixteen of the city's most pretentious night clubs have been closed as the result of the raids. Ninety-six persons were arrested, and a large quantity of alcoholic liquors were seized.—*Reuter.*

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 17 arrivals and seven departures, of which five and two respectively were British, leaving 58 in harbour, 22 British. Tonnage was comparatively good, but freights were low. Three vessels entered in ballast, while of the heavy returns, three were Japanese and one British.

The s.s. Golden Sun (late s.s. West Prospect) entered from San Francisco yesterday with 5,000 tons of oil, of which 3,000 tons were for local discharge.

THE MOST ASTOUNDING CRIME IN A GENERATION

Never was there a case more baffling, more contradictory than the murder of the beautiful Margaret Odell, whom men called the "Canary."

Investigation only tended to prove that Margaret Odell could not possibly have been murdered. And yet, huddled on the great silken davenport in her living-room, lay the girl's strangled body, giving the lie to so grotesque a conclusion.

That is the tragedy around which S. S. Van Dine has written THE "CANARY" MURDER CASE, a masterpiece of mystery-detective fiction. It begins on Thursday, Aug. 2nd in the "Telegraph."

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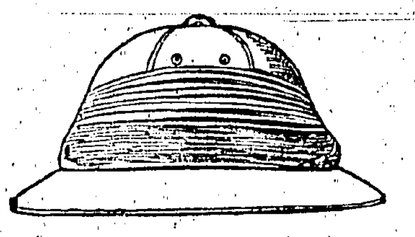

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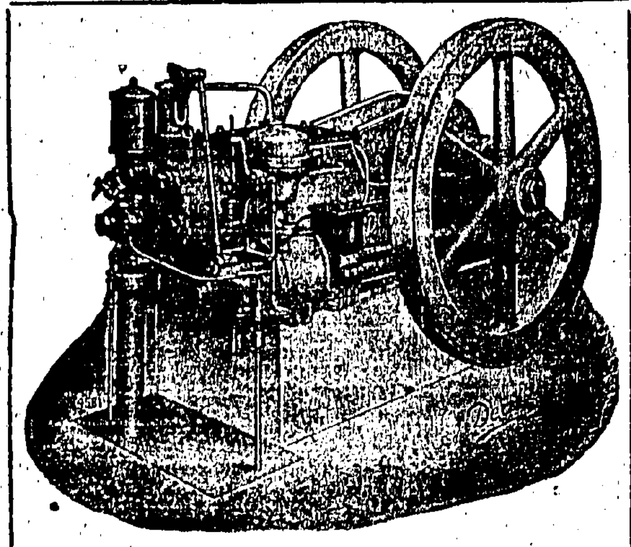

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LEAGUE TENNIS.

CHINESE AGAIN DOMINATE.

Having only lost two matches and these to the Chinese R. C. teams, the Kowloon Cricket Club visited the Recreio ground on Saturday full of hopes, but failed to make an impression. They were beaten by the large margin of 39 games.

The Chinese teams continue to carry all before them and being matched against two of the weaker teams in the League they maintained their undefeated record. South China also won at the expense of the Y.M.C.A.

In the only match in the Second Division the Hongkong C. C. beat the University by 58 games to 41 thus completing their fixtures. The winners are now third in the League and will in all probability remain in that position.

SECOND DIVISION.

Hongkong C.C. Play their Last Match.

On their own courts, Hongkong Cricket Club defeated the University by 17 games. Scores:

G. Miskin and W. B. Cornaby (H.K. C.C.) lost to G. de Souza and J. Barrow 4-7; lost to Y. B. Ng and T. K. Tan 5-6; beat T. L. Iu and G. E. Yeoh 10-1.

R. M. Henderson and J. G. Lawrie (H.K.C.C.) beat de Souza and Barrow 8-3; beat Ng and Tan 7-4; beat Iu and Yeoh 6-5.

R. K. Valentine and W. A. Nowers (H.K.C.C.) lost to de Souza and Barrow 5-6; beat Ng and Tan 6-5; beat Iu and Yeoh 7-4.

Total: Hongkong C.C. 58, University 41.

THIRD DIVISION.

Easy Victories for the Stronger Teams.

On their own ground, Chinese Recreation Club I defeated Royal Army Medical Corps by 27 games. Scores:

Cheng Chi-wing and Chan Wah-po (C.R.C. "A") beat Maj. R. H. Lucas and Pte. Tiernan 8-3; beat Maj. R. T. Cox and S/Sgt. Sims 10-1; beat S/M Browne and S/Sgt. Gilmore 10-1.

Lau Man-kwong and Chiu Tsun-chiu (C.R.C. "A") lost to Lucas and Tiernan 5-6; beat Cox and Sims 7-4; beat Browne and Gilmore 11-0.

Ip Kau and Lo Man-hin (C.R.C. "A"), lost to Lucas and Tiernan 2-9; beat Cox and Sims 6-5; lost to Brown and Gilmore 4-7.

Total: Chinese R. C. I 63, Royal Army Medical Corps 36.

C.R.C. "B" v Indian R.C.

At Causeway Bay, Chinese Recreation Club II beat Indian Recreation Club by 36 games. Scores:

Ng Kam-cheun and Tsoi Ping-fan (C.R.C. "B") beat M. O. Hoosen and A. Rahmin 8-3; beat M. Hassan and Y. J. Khan 11-0; beat M. P. Madar and M. Y. Adal 8-3.

W. C. Hung and H. W. Chan (C.R.C. "B") beat Hoosen and Rahmin 7-4; beat Hassan and Khan 8-3; beat Madar and Adal 7-4.

C. F. Lee and Hon Lun-fung (C.R.C. "B") beat Hoosen and Rahmin 8-3; lost to M. Hassan and Khan 5-6; lost to M. P. Madar and Adal 5-6.

Total: Chinese R. C. II 67, Indian R.C. 32.

Recreio "B" v K.C.C.

At King's Park, Club de Recreio "B" defeated Kowloon Cricket Club by 39 games. Scores:

L. A. Rocha and G. A. Noronha (Recreio "B") beat C. H. Atkins and K. A. Carstensen 6-5; beat A. E. Guest and R. P. Bingham 10-1; beat A. W Ramsay and E. Walker 8-3.

A. A. Remedios and A. Gosano (Recreio "B") beat Atkins and Carstensen 6-5; beat Guest and Bingham 7-4; beat Ramsay and Walker 9-2.

H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto (Recreio "B") beat Atkins and Carstensen 7-4; beat Guest and Bingham 9-2; beat Ramsay and Walker 7-4.

Total: Recreio "B" 69, Kowloon C.C. 30.

Kowloon Indians v Recreio "A."

On their own courts, Kowloon Indian Tennis Club lost to the Club de Recreio "A." by 19 games. Scores:

G. A. Khan and S. R. Salleh (K.I.T.C.) lost to M. Oliveira and A. E. Ribeiro 5-6; lost to J. Xavier and E. H. Carvalho 1-10; lost to A. Remedios and J. H. Figueiredo 4-7.

H. Singh and Firdos Khan (K.I.T.C.) lost to Oliveira and Ribeiro 3-8; beat Xavier and Carvalho 7-4; lost to Remedios and Figueiredo 2-9.

Feroz Ali and M. A. Khan (K.I.T.C.) lost to Oliveira and Ribeiro 5-6; lost to Xavier and Carvalho 5-6; beat Remedios and Figueiredo 8-3.

Total: Kowloon Indians 40, Recreio "A." 59.

Y.M.C.A. v South China.

On their own courts, European Y.M.C.A. lost to South China Athletic Association by 35 games. Scores:

Ponsford and Murray (Y.M.C.A.) lost to Tsang and Tsao 3-8; beat Ng and Young 7-4; lost to Lam and Ko 3-8.

Trambitzky and Fuers (Y.M.C.A.) lost to Tsang and Tsao 1-10; beat Ng and Yung 6-5; lost to Lam and Ko 4-7.

Saunderson and Jones (Y.M.C.A.) lost to Tsang and Tsao 0-11; lost to Ng and Yung 4-7; lost to Lam and Ko 0-11.

Total: Y.M.C.A. 28, South China A.A. 71.

Hongkong C.C. v K.R.M.Q.

On their own courts, Hongkong Cricket Club defeated Kennedy Road Married Quarters by 27 games. Scores:

N. L. H. Railton and A. Piercy (H.K.C.C.) beat Hardy and Mocock 7-4; beat Delahunt and Potts 7-4; beat McCullock and Burrage 6-5.

G. S. Hughes Jones and James (H.K.C.C.) beat Hardy and Mocock 6-5; lost to Delahunt and Potts 5-6; beat McCullock and Burrage 7-4.

L. A. R. Duncan and H. V. Parker (H.K.C.C.) beat Hardy and Mocock 9-2; beat Delahunt and Potts 8-3; beat McCullock and Burrage 8-3.

Total: Hongkong C.C. 63, Kennedy Road Married Quarters 36.

Civil Service v R.A.O.C.

At Happy Valley, Civil Service Cricket Club defeated Royal Army Ordnance Corps by 19 games. Scores:

W. H. Owen and R. F. Jones (C. S. C. C.) beat Greenaway and Major W. White 6-5; lost to Waterfield and Hale 5-6; beat Bryant and Donaldson 7-4.

A. White and R. White (C.S.C.C.) beat Greenaway and Major W. White 7-4; lost to Waterfield and Hale 4-7; beat Bryant and Donaldson 9-2.

C. R. Spittey and J. Bendall (C.S. C.C.) beat Greenaway and Major W. White 6-5; beat Waterfield and Hale 8-3; beat Bryant and Donaldson 7-4.

Total: Civil Service C.C. 59, Royal Army Ordnance Corps 40.

YESTERDAY'S MATCH.

Chinese "A" Win Against Kowloon Indians.

Playing at King's Park yesterday afternoon the Kowloon Indians went down badly to the Chinese "A" who now head the Third Division. They depose "B" team by virtue of a better games average.

Yesterday's results were:

G. A. Khan and M. H. Khan lost to Cheung and Chow 1-10; lost to Lee and Lau 5-6; lost to Lau and Chiu 2-9.

H. Singh and Firdos Khan lost to Cheung and Chow 4-7; beat Lee and Lau 8-3; lost to Lau and Chiu 0-11.

Feroz Ali and S. R. Salleh lost to Cheung and Chow 1-10; lost to Lee and Lau 4-7; beat Lau and Chiu 6-5.

Total: Kowloon Indians 31, Chinese "A" 68.

LACOL BASEBALL.

THE WEEK-END MATCHES.

After an encouraging start, the Hongkong Baseball Club looked like obtaining their revenge against the Filipino Club on Saturday when these two teams met for the second time, the Americans having lost the first match by a large margin.

The Club started off by collecting three runs and then blanking their opponents out. Each side scored one in the second innings but in the fourth the Filipinos gained full control of the game. They scored four runs in each of the fourth, fifth and sixth innings and were then leading by 13 runs to four. The Americans made every effort to force their opponents in again but could only bring three men across the plate, losing by 13 runs to seven.

Russakoff with a mighty hit over centre scored a home run in the first innings for the Americans, while Alvarez scored a homer in the Filipinos' second innings.

Dragons v. Sacramento.

In a friendly game yesterday the U.S.S. Sacramento baseball nine easily accounted for the South China Dragons, winning by ten runs to one. The sailors, after scoring three runs in the first two innings, made seven in the sixth while the Chinese scored their only run in the third.

Junior Games.

In the Junior League on Saturday, the match between St. Joseph's College and the Y.M.B.A. produced no fewer than 38 runs, of which the collegians claimed 28. The students scored freely throughout the match, reaching their highest score in the fourth innings when ten of their batsmen crossed the plate. The Y.M.B.A. were blanked out in three of the seven innings.

The South China juniors had extremely good luck to take the decision from the Kiora, whom they beat in a well contested game by six runs to four. The Kiora were early in the lead but the Athletic side scored two runs in the sixth innings and one in the seventh, while the Kiora were blanked out in the last three innings.

BASEBALL APPEAL.

FILIPINOS AND DRAGONS TO REPLAY.

At a recent meeting of the Protest Committee of the Baseball Association, it was decided that the appeal of the Filipino Club against a run scored in a game against the South China Dragons should be upheld. The proceedings were private.

It is understood that the game will be replayed at a date convenient to both teams. With the disputed match now up for another decision, the Filipino side are in the position of League leaders, without a lost game. This battle of the giants should draw a large crowd of fans, for both nines are at the top of their form, and good play is anticipated.

AMATEUR GOLF.

W. W. MACKENZIE WINS SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIP.

Muirfield, July 28.

In the Scottish Amateur Golf Championship over 36 holes, W. Willis Mackenzie (Morton Hall) beat W. Dodds (Prestwick) in the final by five up and three to play.—*Reuter.*

Canadian Open Title.

Montreal, July 28.

The New Yorker Diegel won the Canadian open golf championship with 282.

Hagen, Compston and MacDonald Smith tied for second place with 284. —*Reuter's American Service.*

THE BIG FIGHT.

TEX RICKARD'S LOSS.

New York, July 28.

G.$150,000 is the official estimate of the loss on the big fight.

Mr. Tex Rickard blames broadcasting and says that never more will he sponsor a bout which is broadcast.—*Reuter's American Service.*

British women numbering 151 going to Australia for domestic work sailed in the Orient liner Osterley.

Mr. Charles Plume, aged 82, of Raleigh-road, Enfield, recently celebrated his 64th year as a bell-ringer at Enfield parish church.

£17,500 CLAIM AGAINST PEER'S WIDOW.

JUDGMENT OF £3,384 IN REMARKABLE CASE.

The remarkable case over the affairs of the late Lord Deerhurst in Mr. Justice Charles's Court has ended. Mr. Lewis Schaverien, of East Grinstead, sued Lady Deerhurst, as the executrix of the late peer.

Mr. Schaverien's case was that he agreed to pay Lord Deerhurst's debts, amounting to £12,500, on condition that Lord Deerhurst, if he inherited a fortune from a relative, should repay the £12,500, and pay in addition another £12,500.

Four days later Lord Deerhurst's relative died, and, although Mr. Schaverien was not called on to pay the debts, he now claimed the £12,500 consideration money, saying that his undertaking to pay the debts stayed bankruptcy proceedings. He also claimed about £5,000 due under promissory notes.

Mr. Justice Charles awarded Mr. Schaverien £2,884 on the promissory notes. On the claim for £12,500 the judge found there was no concluded bargain, but he awarded Mr. Schaverien £500 for the service he did in staying bankruptcy proceedings.

"REV. AND ESQ."

PUBLIC SCHOOL HEAD-MASTER'S ENGLISH LAPSE.

"What is English education coming to?" This question is asked by the Rev. E. J. G. Forse, vicar of St. Katharine's, Southbourne, Bournemouth, in his parish magazine this month.

Mr. Forse quotes the following incident to justify the query:—

"I had occasion to write last week to the headmaster of one of the four or five most famous English Public schools (not Eton or Harrow or Winchester), and he replied to me by return of post, most courteously addressing his envelope 'Rev. E. J. G. Forse, Esq.'

"There is an Englishman in France who has addressed me so for years past, but that is not very strange under the circumstances—but the head master of —! (If I added the name, not a soul in England would believe me, yet I am keeping the envelope.)"

RESCUED FROM MALARIA

Sixteen Years Ago By DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

Mr. Paul Reports Himself Still In The Best of Health.

When Mr. D. T. Paul was station-master at Tharrawaddy, on the Burma Government Railways, in the year 1912, he graphically told how he had been rescued from Malaria by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Seen again on the 24th February this year (1928) at Paungde, Burma, where he is now station-master, Mr. Paul reported himself as still in the best of health. Here are the facts of Mr. Paul's case, as originally recorded by himself sixteen years ago:—

"The malarial attacks used to start with a feeling of lassitude and pains in my back and lower limbs," said he. "Fits of shivering followed and left my body cold all over. Then my temperature would rise until perspiration simply poured out of me.

"These continual attacks made me very weak and thin. A friend who came to see me advised Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I decided to give them a trial. I must say that I have ever since been sorry that these Pills did not come to my notice earlier, for even after a week's treatment I felt they were doing me good. It was wonderful how quickly my appetite returned and refreshing sleep came to me at night. A three weeks' course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills made another and stronger man of me."

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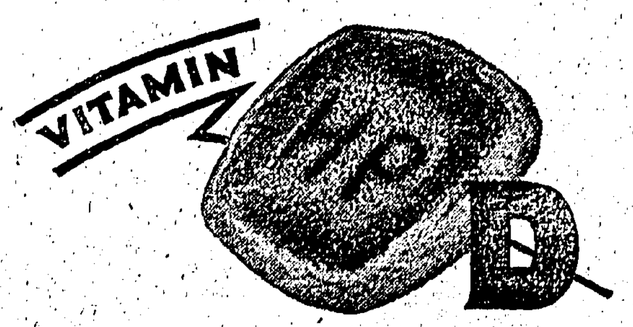

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ENTHRALLING STORY OF MODERN LIFE.

"SHADOWS"

By PATRICIA LEIGH.

AUTHOR OF A MODERN GIRL, ETC.

CHAPTER XXVI.

Shelagh was now sitting up, her nerves as taut as a drawn bow. Her eyes were fixed on Moyston with growing dismay, almost horror. Was it true? Had he purposely deceived her?

Moyston was breathing more quickly. His lips were tightly compressed, but his skin had turned sallow under the bronze.

"I am still of the opinion," he declared, "that you ruined Hurstborne. You did it wantonly. And you made a big fortune out of the disaster that killed him."

For a moment Drake's eyes narrowed and hardened.

"You know better," he said quietly. "You are not so ignorant of finance as you pretend. Five years ago I came up against you over Tabang Rubber. You were speculating in those days. It cost you several thousand... A trifle, I admit. But from that date I can trace your hostility."

"I'm not here to discuss that. The position is that Shelagh has promised to become my wife, and I fail to see what that has to do with you. It's sheer insolence, it's positively monstrous that I should be questioned in this fashion."

"Perhaps you didn't know," said Drake, "that until last week I was engaged to her myself."

"You—" Again Hugh swung round to the trembling girl. "Is this true, Shelagh. You denied it."

"It's true," she managed to say.

He drew a sharp breath.

"But surely," he continued, "it can make no difference? Your engagement was broken off. You mean to marry me, don't you?"

"I meant to," she stammered. "But now—I don't think I can."

"But you must!" he exclaimed. "It's been announced. We can't break it off for the second time. Good heavens, don't you realise it's impossible?"

"I can't help it—can't even explain...."

She stood up, her hands resting on her panting breasts. Helplessly she turned to Drake.

"It isn't necessary to explain." With sudden curtness Drake faced the other man. "You have your answer."

Alone With Drake.

"But I refuse..." Hugh was infuriated. Never in his life had he felt such passionate resentment. He was on the verge of an angry outburst, but once more his long habit of control saved him. At least he would not give Drake the gratification of seeing how this had affected him.

"I see," he added. "I've been fooled. But I suppose I'm to blame. I overlooked your taste for melodrama."

Shelagh winced, and instinctively moved towards Drake.

There was no scene, however. A bitter sardonic smile twisted Moyston's lips. He picked up his hat and stick, and suddenly becoming rigidly formal he bowed and turned away.

Shelagh watched him cross the room, go out of her life. She still felt a twinge of pity for Hugh; but she knew now, not only that she had never loved him, but that he was incapable of loving her.

The door closed. She found herself alone again with Drake, the man who had saved her, at the last moment, from wrecking her whole life—the man whom now she was no longer ashamed to admit that she loved.

Slowly Drake came towards her. There was a tenderness in his expression, a fierce, repressed joy, and also a strange gravity.

"And so there won't be any wedding," he said quietly.

She glanced up at him, her eyes filling with a new, softer light, and her heart throbbing even more wildly than before.

"Perhaps," she murmured, "there will—after all."

"Shelagh! You mean you care—"

"I care—I love you—if only you can forgive me!"

"My darling!" he exclaimed. "Say it again. I was afraid I had lost you, and now—"

"Now—I've come back!" she whispered.

In a moment she was lying in his arms, her sweet, soft young body clasped in a passionate embrace. All the breath seemed to be crushed from her lungs, but she was happy, radiantly happy. Every yearning of her heart was satisfied, and as Drake kissed the tremulous uplifted mouth, hot tears of joy too intense to be bearable coursed down her flushed face.

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There was a wedding after all. The chimes of the ancient church at Rockborough pealed out the glad news. All the county was there, including even Lady Crittal. The gossips nodded gleefully to one another. They had been right all along!

But so far as the inquisitive world was concerned the mystery of a certain newspaper announcement was never properly cleared up.

The next happiest woman present at the wedding was old Mrs. Drake. From the first moment she had met Shelagh she had taken the girl to her heart. She was told nothing, of course, about the interlude with Moyston. She was perfectly contented that her son should find a woman he loved so much, and that she should find so perfect a daughter.

A faint mist swam before her eyes as she sat in the crowded twelfth century church, and gazed at a shimmering figure in white kneeling at the altar rails. Shelagh wore a veil of wonderful Spanish lace. There were orange blossoms, too; and bridesmaids and grooms and page boys. It was the most picturesque wedding that ever delighted this dreamy corner of Devon.

No Registry Office would have satisfied Mrs. Drake. But now that she was reunited to the man she loved Shelagh was eager for all the pomp and ceremony that could mark this, the most glorious day in her life.

It seemed to her that all the former years, all other experiences, were milestones leading up to this climax. She could hardly believe, as she looked back, that she had fought and resisted the destiny that, despite herself, had led her slowly but surely to the discovery of this overwhelming happiness.

She had had a terrible escape. But for the merest accident she might never have married Drake. Yet was it only chance?

His love had pursued her relentlessly. It would take no denial. In her blindness she had tried to hide from it, even to kill it, but loved had conquered. How unreal seemed that hatred she once felt towards him. How futile seemed those visions of a career and success that would outshine marriage.

Looking back she realised that a sort of madness had descended on her. It had passed, leaving practically no trace, and now she could look forward—to an unclouded future, to the greatest success that can crown a life.

The Wedding March.

The ceremony, in the dim cool church, with its odour of flowers and the organ pealing out the "Wedding March" would live always in her memory. Then the scene changed, for Drake insisted that their honeymoon must be spent near the very spot where their lives first crossed.

It was the sunset hour. A bell chimed sweetly and solemnly from an old convent high up in the hills. On one side rolled a pine forest, growing dark and shadowy, as the red gleams died on the pointed tree tops.

Behind them, towering against a jade sky, rose the rugged and magnificent peaks of the Pyrenees; and in the east, a partly transparent moon floated, like a pink bubble in the ether.

Drake was standing on a rocky slope, overlooking the valley and a twisting, mist-wreathed road. Shelagh clung to his arm, following his gaze, which rested immediately below.

"There," he said, pointing to a sharp bend, "was where we first met. Do you remember that night?"

She nodded happily.

"I shall never forget it."

"How strange life is! To think, after all that happened, we should be standing here, man and wife. ..."

"Don't remind me," she pleaded. "I want to forget—for a time I was mad, blind!"

"Yet I think you always loved me."

"I did—I suffered more than you. That was what drove me to Moyston—I was afraid I should weaken."

"You did weaken," he smiled. "But I had a letter to-day saying that Moyston is engaged to Esme Crittal."

Shelagh gave a cry of astonishment.

"Good heavens! She is the last person I should have thought he would have married."

"But I—surely of all men you might have married I seemed the last?"

"Or the first!" she replied softly.

It was nearly dark by now. An after glow lingered behind the mountains. The moon was like a vast globe of blood-red light. Stars glimmered like jewels in the sky, and the air was scented with the resin of pine trees.

Slowly, Shelagh turned to the man by her side. Her blue eyes were soft with love and tranquil happiness. Her lips trembled slightly, and half parted in a smile that revealed the gleam of her teeth. Drake took both her hands, raised them to his shoulders, and then, drawing her gently against him, laid his lips, almost passively, against her own.

(THE END.)

SHANGHAI DIVORCE.

MRS. DONNELLY'S PETITION GRANTED.

A decree nisi with the custody of the three children was granted Muriel Madge Donnelly in the British Supreme Court yesterday morning by his Honour, Sir Peter Grain, at the conclusion of hearing of her petition for divorce from her husband, Ivon Arthur Donnelly, on the ground of adultery.

Mr. E. H. Platt appeared for the petitioner and Mr. K. E. Newman entered an appearance on behalf of the respondent but did not attend yesterday.

The petitioner is living apart from her husband, to whom she was married at Holy Trinity Cathedral in 1914. On the ground that the respondent had committed adultery with a person unknown she sought a dissolution of the marriage.

After the petitioner had given evidence, Mr. Platt informed the Court that alimony was not sought. She merely asked for the custody of the three children and that all their school fees be paid by the respondent. The petitioner asked that she should be given $200 per month whilst the children were at school in Chefoo, and $300 per month during their holidays. She also asked that the premiums on the three insurance policies in the names of the three children should be paid until maturity.

His Honour granted a decree nisi with custody of the children, and decided that the matter of maintenance should be settled later.

BIG AERIAL FLIGHT.

FROM LONDON TO LOS ANGELES.

Los Angeles, July 20.

Harry Lyon, navigator of the Southern Cross during its trans-Pacific flight, to-day announced a London to Los Angeles flight for next spring. A special tri-motored plane to be built in Los Angeles is to be used.

Capt. William Lancaster and Mrs. J. M. Keith-Miller will pilot the ship and Lyon will navigate. The flight will be made in two hops, from Croydon to New York and from there to Los Angeles. Lyon expects the trip to be made in 100 elapsed hours. The plane will be flown from Los Angeles to New York as a preliminary test before it is shipped to England.

Lyon said that a number of persons already had offered to finance the venture, but he declined to disclose their names.—*Associated Press.*

SEA MYSTERY.

STRANGE CRY FOR HELP.

Manila, July 24.

A mystery of the sea that has caused numerous vessels to stop and search for the source of a mysterious voice resulted in the U.S. cruiser Trenton being delayed in arriving in Manila yesterday.

A call for help coming over the waves of an apparently deserted sea caused considerable excitement on board the cruiser at 8 o'clock on Sunday night. The Trenton was passing through the San Bernardino Strait, bringing Governor General Stimson and his party from Legaspi where they had been viewing the activities of the Mayon volcano.

The sentinel in the "crow's nest" of the cruiser gave an alarm that he had heard a voice call "help" just as the ship's clock struck eight bells. The engines of the cruiser, which at the time was travelling 35 knots an hour, were put into reverse and powerful lights were thrown out over the waters in every direction.

The crew of the cruiser was lined up on the decks and a complete check up was made. None of the crew were missing. Orders were given that everyone should remain as quiet as possible so that if other distress calls were made they could be heard. The strong lights were kept playing for one hour but no one could be found.

This is another of the many mysteries of the San Bernardino Strait. Similar phenomena, if such it was, has caused other boats to delay in practically the same place the Trenton was stopped.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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RUSSIAN ROYALIST CLAIMS.

ACTION AGAINST FINNISH GOVERNMENT.

Copenhagen, July 26.

The Grand Duchess Zenia, daughter of Czar Alexander III, and three sisters of Czar Nicholas II, of Russia, brought suit yesterday to recover estates valued at $2,000,000 from the Finnish Government. They allege that the property was sold to private enterprises.

The Grand Duchess previously has been awarded various Romanoff estates outside of Russia. She is a resident of Paris.

CHEFOO INCIDENT.

NORTHERN APOLOGY TO AMERICA.

Chefoo, July 27.

The Northern militarists who recaptured Chefoo on July 23 tendered an apology to the United States to-day, through the American Consul, for wounding a member of the American naval patrol during the fighting incident to the taking of the city.

The American sailor was wounded in the hand while attempting to establish communication with the warships in the harbour. An investigation showed that the Northerners were responsible.

The Northern commander voluntarily compensated the sailor.

Washington, July 29.

Mr. Robins, the Assistant Secretary for War, broke two ribs and a collar-bone while attempting to change seats in a moving aeroplane.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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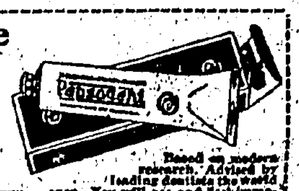

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OLYMPIC GAMES.

A SENSATIONAL QUARREL.

Amsterdam, July 28.

The Ninth Olympic Games have opened.

The stadium was thronged with a crowd of forty thousand when the Prince Consort made the official opening declaration. There had been considerable doubt as to whether a commencement would be possible to-day. Rain fell all night. The clouds broke this morning, however, and sunshine lit up the gaily beflagged streets.

At the stadium the Prince Consort was tumultuously cheered as he took the salute, to the strains of the Dutch National Anthem.

The opening was marked with a sensation when the parade of competitors was forming. As the cream of the world's manhood marched past the Royal Box, it was found that the French competitors were not participating in the march. It was learned that their absence was due to a misunderstanding with a gatekeeper, who yesterday refused the team permission to take a view of the grounds, though this had been authorised. A heated argument followed, during which the gatekeeper struck M. Mirckamp, Secretary of the French team, and the Frenchmen immediately withdrew.

The Netherlands Olympic Committee on hearing of the incident apologised, and the matter was believed closed, but when the French team arrived to participate in the March past they found the same gatekeeper on duty. One story was that the gatekeeper again obstinately refused to admit the French athletes who again withdrew to consider whether they would participate in the games at all. It transpired later, however, that no second incident occurred. After the first incident the French team was promised that the offending gatekeeper would be dismissed. When the team arrived and found him still on duty they spontaneously decided not to participate in the march past and lodged an official protest describing the incident as a gross insult. Meanwhile the French authorities consulted with the French Minister to the Netherlands before deciding whether they would participate in the games.

Subsequently the matter was settled. The French team decided to take part and took the Olympic oath along with the other teams in the stadium in the afternoon.—*Reuter.*

A GREAT FIRE.

SIX-STOREY WHARF AND CONTENTS DESTROYED.

London, July 28.

Overheated peanuts are believed to have been the cause of the greatest river fire for years, at the century-old, six-storey wharf occupied by Messrs. Chambers on the waterway of the Thames. It is in the danger-zone of the Tooley-street Dock area, and was stocked with grain, peanuts, and dessicated coconut.

The fire started yesterday evening; the flames leaping 100 feet. Two hundred firemen from various parts of London battled all night long and thousands of sightseers thronged the London Bridge and Tower Bridge on both sides of the river.

The new monitor Beta III shot water at the rate of 1,500 gallons per minute.

The fire was not controlled until eight o'clock in the morning.—*Reuter.*

AMERICAN BASEBALL.

RESULTS IN THE MAJOR LEAGUES.

New York, July 28.

The full week's results in the American and National Baseball Leagues are were as follows:

NATIONAL EAGUE.

Saturday, July 21.

Chicago	2	New York	1
Pittsburg	7	Brooklyn	3
Pittsburg	10	Brooklyn	2
Cincinnati	5	Boston	4
St. Louis	3	Philadelphia	8

Sunday, July 22.

Brooklyn	5	Pittsburg	0
Brooklyn	5	Pittsburg	0
Chicago	4	New York	2
St. Louis	8	Philadelphia	7
Cincinnati	5	Boston	4

Monday, July 23.

Brooklyn	1	Pittsburg	2

Tuesday, July 24.

New York	6	Pittsburg	3
Brooklyn	1	St. Louis	2
Philadelphia	1	Cincinnati	5

Wednesday, July 25.

New York	6	Pittsburg	5
Brooklyn	8	St. Louis	1
Boston	3	Chicago	1
Philadelphia	5	Cincinnati	10
Philadelphia	7	Cincinnati	6

Thursday, July 26.

New York	5	Pittsburg	7
Brooklyn	1	St. Louis	6
Boston	7	Chicago	6
Cincinnati	4	Philadelphia	6

Friday, July 27.

New York	4	Pittsburg	2
Brooklyn	5	St. Louis	2
Boston	1	Chicago	2
Philadelphia	1	Cincinnati	3

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Saturday, July 21.

New York	2	Chicago	0
Boston	5	Cleveland	2
Boston	1	Cleveland	5
Philadelphia	8	St. Louis	2
Philadelphia	7	St. Louis	3
Washington	4	Detroit	2

Sunday, July 22.

New York	4	Chicago	6
Washington	8	Detroit	2
Cleveland	5	St. Louis	8

Monday, July 23.

Boston	8	New York	3
Philadelphia	0	Washington	5
Cleveland	0	St. Louis	10

Tuesday, July 24.

Boston	3	New York	5

Wednesday, July 25.

Detroit	3	New York	2
Detroit	10	New York	7
Cleveland	10	Boston	2
Cleveland	15	Boston	5
Chicago	0	Philadelphia	16
Chicago	7	Philadelphia	8
St. Louis	12	Washington	8
St. Louis	6	Washington	5

Thursday, July 26.

Detroit	1	New York (lasted 12 innings)	12
Detroit	13	New York	10
Cleveland	4	Boston	2
Cleveland	4	Boston	3
Chicago	1	Philadelphia	5
St. Louis	7	Washington	5
St. Louis	4	Washington	6

Friday, July 27.

Chicago	4	Philadelphia	7
St. Louis	4	Washington	7

—*Reuter's (American Service.*

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HAIL AS LARGE AS WALNUTS.

ASTONISHING STORM: PARIS TO BERLIN.

Paris, July 4.

A particularly violent storm broke over Paris shortly after midnight.

For a quarter of an hour hailstones as large as cherries showered down on the city, rattling on the roofs like shrapnel in an air raid.

They did a considerable amount of damage, chiefly to window panes, pierced the hoods of many motor-cars, smashed the glass of taxi-cabs, and cut many people on the face and hands.

The hailstorm was followed by a heavy downpour of rain, while sheet and fork lightning flashed incessantly for about an hour.

Storm-Belt to Eastward.

In the British-occupied Rhine area (Wiesbaden) there was fierce rain with hailstones as big as walnuts, says Reuter.

Damage was done to fruit crops in the Rhineland vinelands, and several buildings were struck by lightning.

A Central News Cologne wire reports:—

"Hailstones as big as hens' eggs have fallen in some districts.

"Such a storm has not been known for 50 years.

"On a garden estate near Treves 2,000 greenhouse panes were broken by the hail.

Fifty thousand champagne vines have been destroyed near Treves."

Then, in the afternoon, for five minutes a hurricane of extraordinary violence swept over Berlin.

An Exchange wire reports extensive damage in the German capital.

London, July 28.

The vote of the Wesleyan Pastoral Session has yielded the requisite 75 per cent. majority in favour of Methodist union.—*Reuter.*

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TO OSAKA via AMOY, SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	Kumsang	Fri. 17th Aug at 7 a.m.
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AMERICAN PACT.

CONFINED TO THE QUESTION OF TARIFFS.

Nanking, July 28.

While the official text of the Treaty signed by Mr. T. V. Soong and Mr. J. van A. MacMurray is not yet available, the Kuo Min News Agency has been informed that it contains only two paragraphs, substantially as follows:

The first article provides that existing tariff rates on American imports and exports to and from China shall henceforth be declared null and void. A new tariff schedule is to be drawn up on the the principle of national tariff autonomy. China and America, however, agree that there will be no discriminatory treatment accorded to their respective nationals as compared with that accorded to other nationals.

They further agree that neither shall upon whatever pretext impose Customs duty, inland tax or any other levies on the imports and exports of nationals of the other contracting Power exceeding the rates paid by their own nationals or the nationals of any other country.

The said Treaty shall be effective from January 1, 1929, upon ratification by the Governments concerned before aforesaid date. If by any chance ratification is not completed before January 1, 1929, the Treaty shall be operative four months following the date of ratification.

The second article specifies, in case of disagreement concerning interpretation, that the English text of the Treaty will rule.—*Reuter.*

Mr. C. C. Wu's Work.

Peking, July 28.

It appears that the credit for the negotiation of the new Sino-American Treaty belongs to Dr. C. C. Wu, who held a conversation with the State Department at Washington after which he telegraphed to the Nationalist Finance Minister, Mr. T. V. Soong, in Peiping, while the State Department telegraphed to the American Legation.

Mr. Soong then cabled to Nanking, getting authority from the Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, to negotiate with full powers.

After this the procedure was only formal as it is believed that for all practical purposes the Treaty was framed in Washington.—*Reuter.*

Japan Holds Out.

Tokyo, July 28.

It is reliably reported that the Nationalist Government has approached Japan through the Minister at Tokyo, Mr. Wang Yung-pao, proposing suspension of the enforcement of temporary measures pending the conclusion of a new commercial treaty.

It is understood that the Japanese attitude, contending that China's abrogation of the Treaty is illegal, is unchanged.—*Reuter.*

Italy's Position.

Shanghai, July 28.

Holding that the Treaty between China and Italy is still in force, Dr. Ramondino (the Italian Consular official) established a precedent in the Provisional Court this morning by ignoring the refusal of a Chinese judge to sit with him and dealing himself with a case which he remanded indefinitely.

[Dr. Ramondino, when the Judge objected to his presence (the Treaty allegedly having expired) withdrew from the Court last week on the understanding that the case would be adjourned. He seems to have had further instructions.]

Note to Nationalist Government.

Peking, July 29.

The Italian Legation this morning handed *Reuter* a copy of the note which it had sent to the Nationalist Government on July 11 in reply to the Nationalist Government's note of July 1 with reference to abrogation of the Treaty.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL SURRENDERS.

FOUR NORTHERN CRUISERS NOW NATIONALIST.

Shanghai, July 28.

The Kuo Min news agency states that the cruisers Haichi, Haiyung, Haichow and Haisen, which had hitherto served the Northern Government, have declared their allegiance to the Nationalist Government and are proceeding to Shanghai to await orders from Nationalist Naval Headquarters in accordance with instructions from Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.—*Reuter.*

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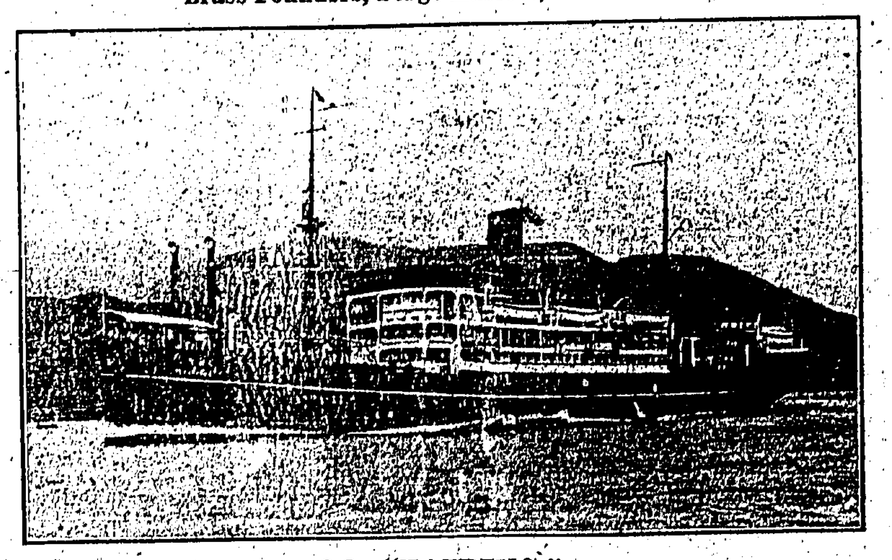

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†NAGPORE	5,283	30th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
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THE PERLAK AFFRAY.

Owing to serious difficulties occasioned by lack of evidence of the cause of death the charge of murder against the assistant cook of the A.P.C. s.s. Perlak was withdrawn before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the the Central Magistracy this morning and defendant was discharged.

The case for the Crown was that defendant attacked the cook with a knife, causing injuries of such a serious nature that he had to be taken ashore at Manila. The cook died a few days later and defendant was handed over to the Hongkong police by the Manila authorities.

This morning Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, in asking for charge to be withdrawn, said that serious difficulties had been encountered. There appeared to be no evidence of an autopsy and it was difficult to see how such evidence could be obtained. No one on the ship had seen the cook from the time he was taken off the ship.

His Worship accordingly discharged the defendant.

U.S.A. AND TREATY REVISION.

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Threat to Changsha.

A Changsha message states that about 10,000 men, consisting of Communists, bandits and revolting troops, have made a successful attack on Linkiang and that they are now advancing on Changsha. They are understood to be about 30 miles from the latter place.

According to reports from Nanking, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has left there for Shanghai.

News from the North shows that Shantung troops remain on the Lan River under the command of General Chang. Their trench system has been strengthened in the last few weeks and the defences are now occupied. The Fengtien forces in the vicinity of Chinwangtao are believed to number about 23,000. No further trouble has arisen in the Tongshan mining district, where everything is quiet.

Four Nationalist Army Corps have left Peking for Lutien Hsien, which is about 60 miles east of Peking. This concentration threatens Lutai and Lanchow.

The situation at Chefoo is quiet but obscure following the sudden coup by Fang Yung-doang. The city is under the Northern flag for the moment.

From Chinkiang it is reported that the Asiatic Petroleum Company officials have expressed a wish to reoccupy their premises from the end of July.

Chefoo Insurrection.

The Fengtien Delegation, interviewed in Peking, stated that the insurrection of Northern forces under General Chang Chung-chang in Chefoo is the result of independent action by Chang without the slightest knowledge or approval of the Fengtien Government.

It is reliably reported from Peking that the combined forces of General Chu Yu-pu and General Chang Chung-chang within the Great Wall is estimated to be 50,000 to 60,000 men, while that of General Sun Chuan-fang is about 10,000.

Demobilisation.

Shanghai, July 29.

Marshal Yen Hsi-shan has announced his intention to disband 30,000 troops of the Shansi Army, the Third Nationalist Army Corp. The demobilisation will be carried out in three stages all within the next 40 days.

The disbandment is in accordance with the Nanking Government's scheme for general disarmament.

A large detachment of troops of the 44th Nationalist Army, which was ordered to be disbanded by General Li Chung-yen, has arrived in Hunan. It is understood that before their dispersal, each of the officers received one month's pay, and the "Other Ranks" compensation of $10.

Movements of Leaders.

Peking, July 21.

After a week of conflicting reports about the leaders' movements, (and some alarmist rumours of their cancelling the trip and the reasons therefor) Yen Hsi-shan, Li Chai-sum and Li Chung-yen all left Peking last night for Nanking.—*Reuter.*

A naval wireless message says that Chiang Kai-shek has reached Chenglin on the Yangtsze.

Mr. Soong Also Leaves.

Tientsin, July 29.

T. V. Soong left for Nanking on board the Hsin Ming last night.—*Reuter.*

U.S. PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

THE SMITH NOMINATION CEREMONY.

Albany, July 24.

Governor Alfred Smith will be officially notified of his nomination as the Democratic presidential candidate on the evening of August 22.

The ceremony will be held on the east steps of the State capital. It will be broadcast nationwide by New York radio stations. It will start at seven o'clock, Eastern daylight time, and is expected to last for half an hour.

Governor Smith said to-day that he had not started yet to draft his speech of acceptance, but that he will touch upon all of the campaign issues. Among these issues are prohibition and farm relief.

STOLEN JACKET.

MAN WHO CLIMBED RAIN-PIPE.

Early this morning, a Chinese was seen by a constable to climb up a rain-pipe outside No. 559, Nathan Road, Kowloon, and to take a jacket from the first floor verandah. On descending again he was immediately seized by the constable and later brought before Mr. W. Schofield on a charge of larceny.

The defendant pleaded guilty, but denied that he had been convicted of larceny three years ago.

His Worship remanded the defendant until to-morrow morning for the finger-print expert to prove the previous conviction.

FATAL MOTOR HISHAP.

AGED CHINESE BOATMAN KILLED.

An old boatman, 70 years of age, died at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, shortly after admission, from injuries received through being knocked down by a public car on the western water-front.

It appears that he was walking along the road, when, at a point near the Taihing Wharf, he was knocked down by public-car No. 352 and was fatally injured. In trying to avert the accident, the driver of the car ran into a taxi, No. 65, which was considerably damaged as a result.

The driver of the car has been detained by the police.

REDS' CLUB DE LUXE.

POOR SEAMEN'S £32,000 BUILDING.

Sydney, July 5.

Sydney's recently established International Seamen's Club, the avowedly Communistic organisation, has purchased pretentious premises at a corner site in the city in the vicinity of the town hall for £32,000.

By changing the name of the institution to the Marine Transport Workers' Club the organisers hope to include in its members all classes of maritime labour.

Expensive alterations are already in progress. The basement will be devoted to bathrooms, the ground floor to a cafeteria, the first floor to club rooms, offices, a library, and a lecture hall, and the second and third floors to residential accommodation with beds at 10s. a week.

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Source of Money.

As the majority of the club's present members are apparently impoverished seamen the public are wondering how the project is being financed.

Giving evidence recently before a Royal Commission in Sydney concerning another matter, Mr. Bailey, president of the powerful Australian Workers' Union, declared that Russian money was entering Australia.

A Chinese case of typhoid from the New Territories was notified over the week-end.

Comdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., has returned to duty after his indisposition and resumed his seat in the Marine Court this morning.

The charge against the Tai Tung native distillery for not keeping a correct account of molasses in fermentation was dismissed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, after Mr. J. D. Lloyd prosecuting and Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defence, had made their respective statements on the expert evidence.

HONGKONG LAUNCH MISSING.

DISAPPEARS WITH TWO JUNKS.

FEARS OF PIRACY.

The mysterious disappearance of a Hongkong launch, which left Hongkong last week for a short trip and has failed to return, is causing uneasiness to the owners.

According to one statement, the steam-launch Ping Po left here on the 24th instant under charter to the Kung On Company, of Bonham Strand, to tow two rice junks to the Customs Station at Taishan.

The trip should not have occupied more than two days, but at the end of that period the launch had not turned up, either at Taishan or in Hongkong.

There are fears that the launch, together with the junks it was towing, has been pirated. The owner has reported the matter to the police, giving a description of the missing launch, which is valued at $10,000.

JAPAN TAKES UP FIRM STAND.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Practical Results.

Turning to the practical effects of the abrogation of the treaty upon Japanese rights and interests in China, the Japanese Minister said:

"Commercial transactions of the peoples of both countries are not only frequently made by land and sea owing to the geographical propinquity of the neighbour nations, but a great number of Japanese, some 200,000 in total, are engaged in various businesses in China. Just imagine the difficult position of these Japanese who may be deprived of extraterritorial rights and other privileges by virtue of the treaty without any proper negotiations to revise or renew the treaty by means of reciprocal measures.

"We must of course succumb to reasons, although we may suffer a heavy loss, but we must fight out the present unreasonable attitude of the Nationalist Government which is scheming to rid the Japanese of proper rights duly provided in the treaty.

"According to Article 26 of the treaty, provisions that should be revised are those of the customs tariff rates and commercial affairs, while the Japanese Government has shown a friendly attitude toward China for the revision of articles other than those mentioned in Art. 26, in view of the special relations between Japan and China.

Unfriendly Attitude.

"Since the completion of the unity of China by the Nationalists, I availed myself of every opportunity for the interpretation of Japan's friendly attitude toward China for treaty revision, declaring to enter at any time into negotiations for that purpose. Furthermore, I made it clear that the Japanese Government will not oppose China's restoration of tariff autonomy on condition that there should be concluded a reciprocal tariff pact between Japan and China and that Japan will be ready to consider the abrogation of the extraterritorial rights in pursuance of reports of the Extrality Commission in a friendly spirit. At this juncture, we cannot but express our sense of regret stating that the present attitude of the Nanking Government is not only illegal but unfriendly in consideration of the fact that the Japanese Government cannot find the slightest idea of friendship expressed in the Nanking note.

"However," further continued Mr. Yoshizawa, "we cannot enter into negotiations for the conclusion of the new treaty under the misconception that the present Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty is null and void.

"The Japanese Government will never spare itself in fighting the present struggle, while we cannot rest assured that there will not occur any deplorable affairs in consequence of the illegal practice of the abrogation of the treaty by the Nanking Government in defiance of international faith. I am not, however, in a position to declare at present any practical measures to be taken in that unhappy occasion, though I am prepared for the worst occasion."

Mr. Yoshizawa concluded saying that the Japanese in China as well as in Japan should behave themselves carefully to overcome the confronting national crisis, and that the Japanese Government can never overlook the unreasonable move of the Nanking Government established de facto, though not recognized as the de jure regime by the Powers.—*Toho.*

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